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MURREE.

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HURREE is one of the hill stations of Northern India, a point in the Himalaya mountains where Europeans can spend the hot weather in comparative comfort. In other words it is a sanitarium where English and Americans may flee for rest and relief from the heat of the plains. It lies on the road leading from the Punjab to Kashmir. It has an elevation of 7,000 to 7,500 feet above the sea, giving a climate much like that found in our Northern states. It has a much less rain-fall than Dharmsala, which makes it a more pleasant place to live, but leaves it a very poor water supply —its one great draw-back as a health resort, unless we might include the fact that several times it has been visited by cholera.

It is a pretty home-like place, with some beautiful winding roads and fine views, reminding one of the wood-paths and roads among the hills in Eastern Ohio or Western Pennsylvania; only that its roads and paths are kept in much better order than we often find in our American hills and woods. English people are accustomed to the finest of roads at home, and will not tolerate poor ones even in India. It is more accessible to most of our mission stations than is Dharmsala, where most of our missionaries usually spend their summer vacation. It has a greater variety of shops or stores, better markets and other conveniences, and a population about three times as great. There are about 120 houses for English residents, besides many more for natives. It is occupied by English troops, by officers military and civil, and by English families. Of late years some of our own missionaries are found there almost every summer, since the mission premises at Dharmsala are not sufficient to accommodate all our force.

To reach Murree from any part of our mission field one goes by rail to Rawal Pindi, and thence up the winding mountain road by tonga, a heavy two-wheeled cart. The journey up from Rawal Pindi is made in four or five hours.

Murree has a Scotch Presbyterian, as well as an Episcopal church, so that our missionaries while there can enjoy the very unusual luxury of going to church as they would do in America; and going to church where the prayer-book is not used, where the services are not intoned,

and where the language used is our own mother tongue, is more of a luxury than many readers of the MAGAZINE might imagine.

One of the happiest summers of my India life was spent there, in company with Mrs. Edna Morrison of precious memory, although we had some trying experiences, and although that summer Murree suffered from a severe outbreak of cholera, when almost every English person attacked by the dread disease died, and there was great mortality among the natives. Many were the anxious days and nights, for, as one said, we knew not where the bolt would fall next. Strong men's hearts failed them for fear. Many fled to other points for safety, and some in fleeing were stricken by the way, for there was contagion in public conveyances and stopping places, as there was infection in the air. But to some of us was granted the blessed assurance of the truth of the promise, "It shall not come nigh unto thee," and it did not. The plague was finally stayed, and our band were kept safe.

In the little cemetery at Murree rests the body of the first Mrs. Scott, who died there in 1880.

LIGHT IN EGYPT.

BY GEORGE R. LEAVITT, D. D.

THE Congregationalist party of forty-one gentlemen and ladies, including a dozen clergymen, sailed from New York, February 16th, for the East. On Wednesday, March 13th, they embarked on the Nile. It was quite a representative company. It included Congregationalists, Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians, Disciples, Episcopalians. It was carefully selected for congeniality. In this it is quite an ideal company. As we were crossing the Mediterranean—Paul's Mediterranean—sailing along the coast of Greece, and "under Crete," I thought, what enthusiasm the missionary Apostle would have had, if he could have taken this company from port to port of that old Roman world as an exhibition of Christianity! We came to Assiout on Sabbath morning, March 17th. Assiout is the capital of Upper Egypt. Its population is nearly 50,000, many thousands being Copts. It is one of the stations of the United Presbyterian mission. Many years ago Dr. Joseph P. Thompson gave the readers of *The Independent*, among his studies in Egyptology, some very valuable articles upon the Copts. I was desirous to see this interesting people and their churches and the missions among them. The city is perhaps two miles from the landing. Some on donkeys, and some afoot, we went to the early service at the mission college. This service is for the college students and is in Arabic. The college building is one of the finest in the city. It is in large, well-kept grounds. The service was proceeding as we entered. There may have been 200 men and boys, and at the front of the room, with a low screen separating, a hundred women and girls. The service was conducted by a missionary, a veteran in the service, tho' still in his prime, the Rev. J. R. Alexander. He had just given out a psalm to the tune St. Martins. The volume was grand, if the enthusiastic Copts did flat. They all and always flat, Mr. Alexander told us. The sermon was upon the pillar and cloud of fire. With the prayer, the Scripture reading, a brief exercise catechizing, it occupied an hour and a half. The collection was taken by little girls.

The last to be called on for a gift was Mr. Alexander. One of the sweet-faced children held her little saucer for his offering. We introduced ourselves at the conclusion of the service; and some wealthy gentlemen in the party, conceiving the purpose of making a special offering for the work, requested that we might hear some account of it, that they might give more intelligently—a request with which the happy missionary gladly complied. The following are some of the points of his address: The United Presbyterian mission was planted in Egypt forty years ago, among the Copts, who number half a million in a population of seven millions. At first there were two missionaries. There are now fifteen ordained men, a physician and seven women in the work, which extends from Alexandria, seven hundred miles up the river, to Assouan. The difficulties were great. The Mohammedans opposed them, also the Coptic church—a church whose history reaches back to the third century. The government was unfriendly. But adherents were found, and then converts. There are now nearly five thousand members in the mission churches. The aggregate congregations on any Sabbath are 8,000. There are 8,000 scholars in the schools. The type of the work done is seen in the church in Assiout. It has over 300 members. It is self-supporting. It supports a woman to help the pastor. It also has a school and carries on a home missionary work. The American consular agent, a wealthy man, is one of the leading men who belongs to this church. Self-support has been very successfully promoted in this mission. Seventy-two churches and a hundred schools are wholly sustained by the people.

One of the brightest features of the work is that it has so successfully reached Mohammedans. Of the 8,000 pupils in the mission schools 1,500 are Mohammedans. Mohammedan beys send their boys to these schools in preference to the state schools. As many as seventy Mohammedans have been received into the churches. A book has been written, in Syria, for Mohammedans, giving the story of Christianity. This book has had a great sale in Egypt. It has just passed to its third edition. From ten to fifteen thousand copies of the Scriptures in Arabic are sold every year.

While the Coptic church has maintained an attitude of unrelenting opposition, it has been greatly influenced by the mission. The young men in Assiout and elsewhere were so stirred by what they saw and heard, that they asked their priests and then the bishop for a preacher. The priests and the bishop gave them the same answer: "*We* cannot preach." Preaching in this Coptic church has almost disappeared, having given place, as it seems tending to do in the Anglican church, to liturgy.

The Homilies of Chrysostom are still used without being understood in some places. The liturgical service occupies from sunrise until nine or ten o'clock. The young men were not to be put off, and in the end they were sent to the Protestants for a preacher! The best preacher in the mission was given them, a native; and the extraordinary spectacle may be seen in Assiout of a large congregation, sometimes a thousand and largely young men, assembled to hear a warm evangelical sermon.

There is great hope for Egypt. Under the British occupancy it is undoubtedly better governed than in all its history. The resources of a wealthy land are still here, represented by this wonderful river. An enormous tonnage is afloat upon it, going up, going down. On some days we have passed hundreds of merchandise boats that would measure from one to twenty tons. And the people are here. I had had the impression that it

is a worn-out race, or, rather, that the races of the valley are worn out. The Fellahin are the lowest of all, and are a downtrodden, abject race. But there are pith and fiber even among these. Think of donkey boys running beside their donkeys fifteen miles in two hours and a half, and making nothing of it! And of women lifting to their heads their huge water jars, which, filled, must weigh from fifty to seventy-five pounds, rising with them, climbing the steep river-bank, with one hand poising the jar and the other drawing the skirt, and carrying them to the mud village in the grove of palms a mile distant. The stuff is here. The limbs are round; the figure is good. The contour of the head in Fellahin and Bedouin and Nubian and Egyptian and Copt and Sudanese is often fine. The Copts have gentle, refined faces. They are the representatives of the ancient Egyptians, with the identical type of face which one sees upon the monuments in Memphis and Beni Hassan, and Abydos and Thebes. There is light in Egypt. The resources are being intelligently developed; and with missions like this at Assiout we may certainly expect a transformation—if more slow, as wide reaching and substantial as in India or Japan. Our millionaires put each a handful of gold in the hand of Mr. Alexander, the missionary, and one of them said: "This is the brightest spot I have seen in Egypt"; and the other, a great lumber merchant, walked away as happy, with an Arabic Bible under his arm, as if it were worth as much as his recent timber purchase in Florida, of Georgia pine, which is to yield a million and a half feet of measured lumber, and stands over a bed of phosphate worth more than some gold mines. Many readers of *The Independent* have visited the Nile. Many will visit it. Not all travelers keep the Lord's Day on the Nile or elsewhere. But a Sabbath keeping tourist in these regions, who reads this article, will find a blessing for his own soul, and give a lifting hand to a noble work, and get the grand inspiration of a hopeful outlook for the future of one of the darkest, most hopeless regions of the globe, in visiting the U. P. mission at Assiout.—*Independent.*

ON THE NILE.

LET KNOWELDGE INCREASE.

BY FRANCES B. WELLS.

IN this age of woman's influence, woman's clubs, woman's knowledge, how about our missionary meetings? Are we reaping the benefit of woman's increased intelligence, energy, knowledge? Is the tone of our meetings broader and stronger because founded upon farther outreach, deeper insight into the condition of people? Are our prayers more earnest than ever before, because we know as never before the need for our prayers? Is the practical work more wisely conducted because the wisdom is founded upon knowledge?

Where shall we gain this knowledge unless from a thoughtful, digestive, and constant perusal of our missionary magazines, now giving us in a masterly way the present condition of these Oriental peoples, the real life of the missionary, the tremendous difficulties in the work, the grand possibilities just ahead? How shall we gain this knowledge without a perusal of the books now so rapidly published with the graphic pen which illumines the thought and views founded upon

years of study, experience, knowledge, among the people themselves?

Where shall we get hold of this knowledge? We may take the magazines, and have the monthly treasures brought to our doors, but how about the books? Our public libraries are much more bent upon gathering books concerning ancient Thebes, Egyptian civilization, the romance of the Moors, and old, old Algiers, than in giving us an insight into the physical condition of the inhabitants of Central and Southern Africa; unknown, unsought before, now resting with heavy weight—one great "care of the churches."

We must study what commerce and railroads are doing for civilization, but we must also know what can be done for the intellectual, the spiritual. And we must work in God's own way, remembering he protests against zeal without knowledge. Who can study Arthur Smith's "Characteristics of the Chinese" without feeling like throwing to the winds our fascinating books of travel with the superficial views, and sitting down to revel in the truth, sparkling in his inimitable language, and burning with his philosophical deductions? Who but yearned over the pathos of that intellectual turbidity and patient endurance, even as we laughed at the "flexible inflexibility" and thousand and one oddities? Who but began to know the many-sided Chinese as never before, and longed to share in the development of those hidden powers suggested?

Have not missionary books become imperative, now that living, graphic, powerful books have been written, and that earnest, thinking, scholarly minds are alive to this great subject—the Orientals and their spiritual needs? Few can gather private missionary libraries, but cannot the missionary boards have libraries large enough to circulate freely by bearer and by mail? Cannot societies in cities join together and have little circulating missionary libraries? Our books of the W. B. M. I. library are wending their way, one by one, into the programmes of seniors, juniors, and juveniles in the city and in the surrounding villages, enriching and blessing. Some societies have small libraries of their own. We know of at least one church where both the Christian Endeavor Society and the Mission Band have beginnings of such libraries. The wee folks gave an entertainment, and now have some fascinating biographies of missionaries, rewritten for young people, circulating among the boys and girls

We would multiply books, borrowers, and libraries. Then shall knowledge spread and interest deepen. This is a literary age, and an age of competition. Let us meet the situation fearlessly, and vie with other societies in our interesting papers, and our meetings will increase in numbers; our help in this work will have less and less of spasmodic, emotional giving; more and more of the intelligent, thoughtful, prayerful offerings for which the King must yearn.—*Life and Light.*

AN EGYPTIAN (R)EVOLUTION.

BY SARAH BIERCE SCARBOROUGH.

PART II.

It was a compromise that Mrs. Pardew made very much against both conscience and will when she accepted Sophy's declaration the next day that Achmet was engaged to cook.

"It isn't missionary money," Sophy argued persistently. "Call it my contribution to the cause if you will, so that

you may find time for missionary work."

"I don't see how I am going to find time for anything with house-keeping so unsatisfactory, unless I do," Mrs. Pardew assented at this way of putting it. "I do want to labor in the mission work."

She was not selfish in allowing Sophy to pay the expense, but she had Sophy, the mission work and the revolution, all on her mind, and it did seem as though it was an opportunity not to be slighted when Sophy voluntarily placed an offering on the missionary shrine or misplaced, it as she mentally confessed, according to her ideas of the revolution with which it conflicted; but what could she do? Things did seem so tangled up—Sophy, missionary work and revolution. Truth to tell, in her perplexity it seemed the only thread in the matter that presented any tangible possibility of doing anything to unravel the affairs connected with the three objects of her concern.

Sophy was not worried, however, and if Mrs. Pardew had not been so troubled she would have seen a number of things which indicated a change in her niece. As for Mr. Pardew, that one day of bargaining had resulted in a settled determination not to buy another thing and when some personal needs came in question Sophy surprised him one day giving hushed instructions to Achmet. He apologized, however, by explaining that his own work demanded immediate attention, which explanation Sophy so wisely ignored that it became his last attempt at apology. Thereafter he made such arrangements a matter of daily and open occurrence. But he did look askance at the housekeeping until Mrs. Pardew had explained in her turn Sophy's donation to the cause, together with her own misty reasons and hopes for allowing it.

When Sophy straitened up that month's expenditures and the total fell so far below the previous one, Mrs. Pardew looked the worldly girl straight in the face.

"Sophy, how much money have you spent aside from this to keep the table?"

"None, honor bright," laughed Sophy, at the look of incredulity she received.

"Do you mean to say that we have lived on nearly half the amount it cost us last month, and have had what we call luxuries at home and been waited upon by a servant at that?"

"So say the figures," was the demure response.

"I don't understand it. I worked so hard. I was a good economist at home, I know I was, and here I—well it is dark to my comprehension."

"Egyptian darkness?" said Sophy gaily. "Let's count it up again."

When she had done so there was penciled on the credit side "plenty of time to make visits to the schools, to meet the women for advice, and to give general instruction."

"I think you are getting to be a very exemplary missionary," said Sophy. "You did not have that to your balance last month."

Mrs. Pardew was forced to admit that truth, and she knew in her heart, that if she tried it again she would not have it, economical as she might be, but she groaned as she acknowledged that she was losing ground somewhere. Mr. Pardew admitted nothing. The other missionaries were congratulating them daily upon their sensible living, their interest in the work and their growing ability to accomplish much—so much that Mrs. Pardew was more than thankful that she had not heralded abroad her reform purposes when she arrived. But there were stings of conscience.

"The friends at home write us that Mr. and Mrs. Pardew are just the people to live sensibly in a foreign mission work; to labor strictly in the interests of the

cause," one friend ended her congratulation.

Mrs. Pardew heard. She knew that no sarcasm was meant. She knew that the speaker only spoke her own individual convictions as well, but she also knew that the writer had been misunderstood, and she writhed.

It was all so different from what she had planned, and the worst or best of it was—she was unable to decide which it might be—that she seemed to be getting deeper in the coils, and to cap the climax Mr. Pardew had actually set a promising youth in the schools to doing some extra work for himself. It was only a question of finance, and it was cheaper than to do himself, he said. She could not reproach him. He was heart and soul in the work, and his strength was thus saved for it. He was in splendid health as well, and Sophy, too, was improving, but —there Mrs. Pardew stopped. Horrors! Was not all this the height of selfishness? It must be in spite of the fact that they all felt comparatively free to give their time to the work. Mrs. Pardew herself had begun to teach a class of women who came to her after Mr. Pardew had won their husbands' consent. She tried to see through the maze, but it was fast becoming an ethical, intellectual confusion that bade fair to defy all attempts at straightening.

So it was with an inward prayer for guidance—for Mrs. Pardew was a thoroughly good woman if she did have so many ideas—she resigned herself to drift awhile longer, to sink deeper and deeper into the quicksands, as she confessed under her breath. Then came the final struggle to extricate herself.

It was a letter from home, from the society that caused it. A private note from the secretary at the close ran thus: "We do hope that you have accomplished much for the Master and for reform. But I am grieved to say that reports would indicate that you have not succeeded in the latter. Some are even unkind enough to think that you are out-Heroding Herod, as we hear that you keep two servants, and live like all who have preceded you, only more so. The rumor comes from no tale-bearer, but as a matter of fact statement of a course to be commended, and given in letters from your co-laborers." Mrs. Pardew showed it to Mr. Pardew.

"What do you propose to do?" he queried, knitting his eyebrows fiercely as he pursed his lips determinedly and twirled his thumbs, all the time bending a reminiscent gaze upon that unfortunate rug.

"I must give up the servants," she answered slowly and wearily. "I don't know how, I must confess. As for eating luxuries as they call them, I should like to convince them of the scarcity of some things. I'd be thankful for a piece of salt pork and—yes—a dried apple pie, with something aside from axle grease for butter."

Mr. Pardew's lips twitched in yearning sympathy as she went on pathetically: "I'm sure the society could not say we possess elaborate furnishings though some things ordinary and necessary here would only be bric-a-brac there."

"The society did not make any special remark about that diary I sent that they might see how we are employed night and day?" he queried as she ended.

"Not a word, only they were glad to know we had no time to be heartsick or homesick for our native land."

"Did you tell them of this rug experience and of your mutton one? Of how long it takes to shop in Egypt?" he pursued calmly.

"I hinted at it," Mrs. Pardew replied with a faint laugh, "but this letter says that exemplary lives and the Master's cause among the heathen are of infinitely greater importance than shopping."

"My opinion too," he returned shortly; "therefore we've ceased to shop."

"But I think she meant it as a kindly rebuke against employment so inconsistent as a missionary's worldly shopping. Mrs. Pardew endeavored to explain further, for her seemingly obtuse husband.

"Inconsistent! Madame,"—Mr. Pardew never said Madame unless he had something especially emphatic to say—"Madame, never mind what she meant. I entirely agree with what she said. Shopping in Egypt is inconsistent with a missionary, so we don't shop."

"But, Elmer," Mrs. Pardew heroically, if faintly, protested, "I must give up the servants. It looked terrible to us once, and it does look so still to them."

But they saved her the trouble. Sophy, who had been overlooking the household affairs, went away for a change, and by a sort of magic known only to serviteurs of the East, they disappeared within the week. Mrs. Pardew, thus unexpectedly relieved of one burden, bravely took up another. For a week longer she struggled. She answered calls that poured in upon her; she dragged herself and Mr. Pardew with her as she dealt with tradesmen of every degree; she wrestled with the mysteries of Egyptian cooking apparatus to her constant discomfiture; she tried to write letters; she overlooked Mr. Pardew's linen so literally that he had nothing to wear on Sabbath, and at last she succumbed in despair and dropped helplessly upon her bed, where Sophy found her on her return with everything at "sixes and sevens", and poor Mr. Pardew vainly attempting to concoct a respectable cup of coffee.

Within twenty-four hours Sophy had the household machinery going smoothly, with Achmet back in the kitchen, while she proceeded to nurse Mrs. Pardew, who silently tried to gather up her scattered nerve forces. It was a success after a time, and there arose from the bed a new woman.

"Achmet will stay to care for all things necessary, even if I have to pay a double price," she proclaimed, to Sophy's surprise; "and if he and the doorkeeper are not enough then we will have more help. I shall pay all expenses, and, Sophy, I want it to be understood that I do not intend hereafter to purchase a pin's worth of anything if I can help it."

Sophy confided to Mrs. Allen that her aunt went still further, that she declared strength to be too precious to have even to overlook the doing of things, and if it were a possibility to find in Egypt a housekeeper she would hire one if it took every penny of their salary—she would spend and be spent in the Master's service, but not in an Egyptian kitchen. Sophy also said that her Uncle Elmer, just like a man to make an acrobatic change of opinion without saying a word, had coolly answered that he had reached that point long ago.

It was just at this stage of affairs, as they found permanent relief in abandonment of the battle with the inevitable, that Mrs. Pardew, true to her ideas in general though relinquishing one of the particular ones, bethought herself that Sophy had been left almost entirely alone all this time. To be sure Mrs. Allen had taken charge of her, and consequently Mrs. Pardew felt that she could not have gone very far astray in mischief. Then, Sophy had taken such a practical turn that much of her former flippancy seemed to have deserted her. Accordingly Mrs. Pardew was extremely harrowed as Sophy exclaimed one night, with the old impulsiveness:

"We went to Mahomet's harem today. The interior decorations were lovely, the dresses of the women were exquisite, and one new girl was positively fascinating. He was graciousness itself."

There shot through Mrs. Pardew's heart a pang of remorse. She remem-

bered Sophy's remark on the road to Cairo. What if Sophy should become inveigled into some indiscreet situations! Mrs. Pardew did not care if it was selfish; she thought of nothing but the fact that in such a case she could never go back and face Sophy's widowed mother. She knew what was back of the harem life with its tinsel and glitter, and her knowledge of the misery here and among the poorer classes had rendered her more and more sympathetic.

She did not know what Sophy knew, but when the next day she asked Sophy to accompany her instead of going with Mrs. Allen, she was met with a statement that ended in a revelation that humbled her into complete silence.

"No; I cannot. I must go where we went yesterday—where we've been often; only yesterday I did not have an opportunity to see Fatima, Mahomet's wife—the one we saw when we first came here. She has changed so since then. She was so bright and pretty, and would peer at me, when I saw her outside, so daintily through her veil I fell in love with her. She would laugh so sweetly at my poor attempts at Turkish. There have been whispers since then that make me sad, and she has grown so haggard."

"Tell me about it." Mrs. Pardew gulped down any feeling over Sophy individually. She too remembered some whispers.

"She has seemed to become more and more pitiable, but since I have returned I find I can learn but little. The Bible-reader says one of the women coldly told her one day that Fatima would die some day and there would be an end of her rule and her beauty. Jealousy, the woman says, is the cause, and no one in the harem seems to care for the poor child."

"And the missionaries can do nothing," exclaimed Mr. Pardew with unusual feeling as he overheard Sophy. "It is terrible, but to speak may mean exclusion of all Christian women from the harems. Opposition can seem to result in nothing but harm to the cause we represent."

"But, Sophy, wouldn't it be best after all that you let Mrs. Allen go without you?" inquired Mrs. Pardew.

"Oh, I know of what you are thinking—the speech I once made. Let me tell you, Aunt Cordelia, I did think then that it was a charming picture of comfort and ease; I did not stop to think more of it, but my own observation and common sense have given me different views. Now when door after door closes behind us as we go to the women's apartments following a soft stepping, gliding servant, the dismal, deserted look of everything makes me feel like exclaiming in Dante's words: 'All ye that enter here leave hope behind.' No; I detest it, but I must go while Fatima lives."

Then Mrs. Pardew learned something else—how Sophy had endeared herself to so many, how she had won by her girlish sympathy, how she had taught whenever she was allowed, and how her own money had helped along the cause in many ways. So, as we have said, she kept silence with a deepening sense of humiliation.

Sophy's self-imposed task was not a long one. News of Fatima's death shortly came. It made their hearts sick, and Sophy went away for a change. In the two months that followed two unexpected things happened. First, home affairs of importance called for the return ot the Pardews temporarily; the second happening occurred when they had reached home.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Pardew were somewhat nervous over the first meeting of the society.

"It was such a failure—our revolution," he confessed. "And how we are to prove

to these good people that it had to be is more than I can tell."

"As for the proof I think that will take care of itself," replied Mrs. Pardew with her old firmness. "As for the revolution, if it was not a revolution it was not altogether a failure, and as for the whole affair I shall not hesitate to express myself as opposed to further criticism of actions born of a situation."

She was not called upon to do it; Sophy did it for her. The Pardews had not fully realized how their niece had changed until they saw her at home again. But they were not prepared for the change that was forced upon them when she presented herself a candidate for church membership and asked to be sent back to Egypt as a missionary.

"I can do more good with my life there than here," she explained to the society at its first meeting, when it received the returned trio—especially Mr. and Mrs. Pardew—with a slight reserve, upon the part of a few at least.

It was Miss Armor who beamed upon her and encouraged her to go on, and she did so with a gentle vein of humor running through her seriousness.

"As you know and wished, Uncle and Aunt left here determined to revolutionize some things in Egypt. The only result was my revolution and, yes, theirs. We all see things very differently after our experience, and I may question whether any of it may really be called a revolution. My dear friends, one thing I must say. As far as general mode of living is concerned you must let missionaries live as they think best. You must either have servants to do for you in the thousand and one things we are accustomed here to do for ourselves, or you must expect the missionaries to hire some one to do the mission work. There is no housekeeping under the sun quite like housekeeping in Oriental lands, and the Lord's work and it are not strictly compatible. You must let them eat what is provided. What you deem luxuries are offsetted by the lack of countless things you count the absolute necessities of American civilization. You must let them walk when you ride, and ride when you walk, according to the dictates of their own best judgment. The missionaries, in fact, must do as they think best and not as you decide. They must do this in order to preserve strength for the real work to which they are sent, and our good societies here must have Christian confidence in the Christian common-sense of those sent, to do the best under all circumstances. Help is cheap in the East; the missionary's time and labor dear. It becomes a matter of finance as well as sense."

Miss Armor beamed again upon Sophy as the girl sat down. "I am glad to have your testimony to my own experience," she said clasping Sophy's hand.

By the time Mr. and Mrs. Pardew had begun to recover from the surprise Sophy had given them, they were ready to corroborate her statement by recounting some of their own experiences in detail. When Mrs. Pardew told of her futile searches for butter, of her despairing purchase of an axle grease compound, of the constant struggle with her own ignorance and wily venders of wares, of the wearing out process they had subjected themselves to in their vain endeavor to carry out their ideas, the society waxed sympathetic. Mr. Pardew, too, grew eloquent as he related his own history of purchases never to be forgotten. Then the President of the society arose solemnly.

"The Lord forgive me for ever criticizing a missionary's walks and ways again. If we consider people are fit to be sent, we will in the future consider that they are fit to know how to live when they reach there. When you go back, Mr. and Mrs. Pardew, live as the

circumstances demand, keep well, and do what you were sent to do. We'll attend to our work as well—keep our time and strength for raising means to send the gospel through such as you. I expect it is all we can attend to and do well. My, not a bit of good butter and all that work!" She drew a breath of unmistakable sympathy as she sat down, adding, "The wonder is that the missionaries have stood our carping so long."

But it was Miss Armor who said gently to Sophy as she bade the girl God-speed in the work she had chosen: "Taking it all in all, my dear, if it has not been a revolution, your experiences may be safely said to have resulted in an *evolution* such as will benefit the world at large in more ways than one.

LADY SOMERSET ON THE ARMENIAN TROUBLE.

[Francis E. Willard writing to the Independent of the Armenian meeting in St. James Hall, London, and of Lady Somerset's address, says that no other place in the English-speaking world is, or has been for years, so truly the center of reform meetings; that it may well be called, as it has by many, "God's Whispering Gallery."

It was a fitting place for London's demonstration on behalf of the oppressed in Armenia. The meeting was addressed by the Duke of Argyle, followed by many other noted personages. The address of Lady Henry Somerset was declared by the *Daily News* to be the speech of the evening. Believing it to possess special interest for our readers we reproduce it entire from the *Independent*.—EDS.]

"The dreaded crescent of the Turkish mosque has become the scimitar of the bloody-handed Turkish soldier. Henceforth that crescent stands forth in the eyes of all nations as impossible to cleanse as the hand of Lady Macbeth, while the cross gleaming on ten thousand church spires sheds forth the mild effulgence of a beacon that means deliverance wherever its heavenly rays extend. Never were these two symbols of a dying and an ever-living cause set over against each other in a contrast so vivid and significant as now. The martyrdoms of the first century in Jerusalem have been suffered again at Sassun. The hills and valleys of Judea are hardly more sacred than the blood-saturated hills and the valleys of Armenia.

"What was the crime of the Armenians? That they cherished in their brave and loyal hearts the Gospel of peace on earth and good-will to men; that the Bible was their most sacred possession; that the home life had one central figure rather than a group of women despoiled of their choicest heritage—the life-long fidelity of one man to whom their own had been faithfully pledged. This was the stone of their stumbling, the rock of their offense in the fierce eyes of their Moslem foe.

"Three figures stand forth on the lurid canvas of this history; the priest who had sustained and comforted his little flock, gathered with him in a cave on the hillside, was too old to flee when the Turks searched out their covert. He was afterward found, bayoneted, mutilated, his reverend gray hairs half concealing the red sign of the cross that had been cut on his forehead—indelible mark of the undying hate that the followers of Mohammed cherish for the disciples of the Galilean.

"Another is the scene when Shakkeh, the sister-in-law of Krikor, the famed Armenian leader, herself a woman well

known for her high character, courage and wealth, took her little boy in her arms, and, being pursued by the savage soldiery, flung herself down a precipice, beneath which she was found dead by faithful friends who came to seek her place of martyrdom. As they simply said: 'We buried her and the little one in remembrance of the hospitality we had so often enjoyed in her happy home.'

"The third is a young wife and mother but eighteen years of age, who, hunted like a partridge on the hillside, ran with her little three-months-old boy in her arms until she was overtaken by the Turkish troops and her boy slain before her eyes, his little form being tossed on their bayonets from one soldier to another; and as she turned to fly they began to despoil her of her clothing, when, to their surprise, they found on her a belt filled with gold coins, and during their quarrel over the distribution of this booty, she slipped away and concealed herself among the fastnesses of the rocks, where she was afterward joined by her husband; and the two escaped and are here with us tonight.

"For what did they die—the good priest, the brave lady, the hunted little mother's child? They died that the Gospel—which raises woman up, and with her lifts toward Heaven the world—might have free course to run and be glorified. They died that the untrammelled, beneficent, consecrated life of England's purest womanhood might slowly come to women in their own beautiful and pleasant land. For they knew as we do that even as the progress of a June day is traced on the earth's map by the sunshine, so the widening way of a free Gospel is traced by woman's happiness and manhood's exaltation. For them already Christianity had done much, for us it has done more; to them the tender dawn had come, to us its noontide splendor.

"It is fitting that an English woman's voice should be lifted for the Armenian woman in this great center of England's power, culture and opportunity. A hundred thousand women wearing the White Ribbon—emblem of purity and peace—are invisibly present with me as I stand here trying to represent their holy indignation and burning love for their sisters yonder in the clutch of the harem-despot at Constantinople.

"The watchword of our great nation today should not be 'peace with honor'—for these are words that in presence of the lamb upon Armenian hillsides to which no wind is tempered become a reproach if not as blasphemy; but let us cease to cry peace, peace, when there is no peace; and lifting up our hearts to God for power, let men and women throughout the English-speaking race, in broad America and in Great Britain, highly resolve that the rallying cry of Armenian deliverance shall be peace with purity, peace with fidelity, peace with loyalty, firm and unfaltering to the Gospel of Christ and of the Golden Rule."

Missionary Correspondence

LETTER FROM EGYPT.

MOHARREM BEY, ALEXANDRIA,
May 25, 1895.

DEAR FRIENDS:—We are having warm weather here, but it is much hotter up the country. So the missionaries from Assiout and Luxor will soon be down. Some of them are in Ramleh now, and most of the children with their

teacher have been there since the first of April. We have enjoyed this year very much; have met many of the English people, who have been very kind. Our home is in a very pleasant place out from the busy part of the city, and near the Moharrem Bey school. Misses McDowell and Brown are with us, and both are workers in the schools here.

Our school-house in this part of the city is quite small, but there are seventy girls enrolled, and if we had a larger house more would come. We also have Sabbath-school there every Sabbath at 3:30 p. m. Mr. McFarland is superintendent. Yesterday he read his first sermon; his subject, Jesus the Saviour. I am glad he has made his first effort in that line. Men, women and children come, and we have an averge of 40.

We have done a good deal of visiting among the people, and find them warm-hearted and ready to receive us. Last week our hearts were saddened when we went to visit one of the members of the church, and found his only little daughter very ill. She had been sick for some time and is now greatly reduced in flesh. Though I had asked the father about his family after church, he would always say they were well. I suppose if it had been one of his boys we would have heard of his illness before. I thought I would try to please the little girl; so dressed a doll and gave it to her. The poor little one was frightened at her new play-thing. She threw it on the ground and would not touch it. I suppose it was the first she ever had.

I took one of our native women to church yesterday. She came from a village in the upper country, and belonged to our church while there. She had been out to see the city, so everything was new to her. You may imagine my surprise when I asked her how she enjoyed the sermon, and she said she did not understand a word. That is because there is such a difference between the common talk and the Bible language; but now she is learning to read, as we have a Bible woman in this part of the city. She has one little girl in our school.

A short time ago I visited our central mission school. Many of the little ones recited verses of scripture in English, than translated them into Arabic, and also sang one song in English very sweetly. After recess I went upstairs where the girls were sewing. It was very interesting to see the little ones on the front seat, just learning to knit. In one corner, sitting on the floor, were five or six girls making blocks for a quilt. Farther back in the room sat the larger girls, who were engaged in more difficult work, such as making cushions, hemstitching handkerchiefs, and working study caps for gentlemen.

Miss Brown and I had an invitation to visit the house joining the school, so we thought we would go in a few minutes before going home. There were two rooms full of women, dressed in the gayest colors, talking and laughing as they sat eating nuts and listening to the music played by three women and joined by three others in singing. We did not understand what it all meant at first, but finally one of the schools girls told us that the woman of the house had made a vow when she was quite ill that if she ever recovered she would call in all her friends and have a rejoicing. We enjoyed the music and odd singing very much.

On our way home we saw a Mohammedan school for the first time. There were about a hundred boys and a few girls. They were all studying the Koran aloud, keeping time to their clatter, with their heads going at the same time. Their sheik sat in front of them on a divan with his feet under him and a long stick in his hand, which he

used if he saw anyone not tending his work. They had two large barn-like doors, which answered for windows also, so we stood there looking in without an invitation. After a short time they recited a prayer, and the smaller pupils left, touching their teacher's stick which he had in his hand. Then they kissed their hand as they went out.

The larger boys remained for arithmetic. I thought how grand it would be if one of our Christian teachers could have that army of boys to teach them to be disciples of Jesus instead of followers of the false prophet.

We are happy to see more of the school girls coming to church now, and hope more will come. Our little Evelyn, who is almost 2 years old, is getting the Arabic and some English, but they usually get them mixed up.

Rev. and Mrs. Hart were made very happy a short time ago by the arrival of a little son.

Our forces seem weak in this city, but if they go forth in the strength of the Master he will enable us to win souls for him.

Your friend in Egypt,
ANNA MCFARLAND.

LETTER FROM INDIA.

PASRUR, May 10, 1895.

MY DEAR FRIENDS:—One never learns all the ins and outs in the lives of this old and interesting people. The ages, in their march through this thickly populated land, have left traces of their passage, and the result is a land filled with many different languages and many different religious beliefs. No matter how widely they may differ in some respects, the people all unite in being very superstitious. Only a few evenings ago one of our Christian women came in to have a talk with us and was telling us of her life in a village where she had lived for some years. She had twin boys. Neither of them was strong, and after a time one of them died. Not a woman in the village would come to the house to see her, and whenever she walked outside they would all keep at a good distance from her. It was only by giving a very high price that she could get a woman to come in and work for her a little while each day. They all said there was a bhut in the house and they were afraid of it. One day she was standing outside of her door and seeing a woman off at some distance she called to her to come near. "No I will not," she replied, "a bhut is in your house. It has killed your boy and will kill you." Not until a long time after the death of the little boy did the people begin coming back to the house.

Last winter while we were doing district work we pitched our tents near a village, near which at the same time the catechists of that part of our district held a workers' meeting, at which were discussed the features encouraging and discouraging of the work, and various matters arising from the customs of the country, many of which are contrary to Christian usages. I was much surprised at one of the questions asked for information. Asked one man, "If anyone became angry with his wife and call her sister, does it divorce them as in the case of the non-Christians about us?" There was considerable discussion on the subject. One man acknowledged that he had, in a fit of temper, called his wife his sister. He was asked what happened then, and said he and his wife had to be married over again. They were carefully instructed that divorce is not so

easily obtained amongst Christians.

I am afraid this letter will be flavored with the weather, for it is not very comfortable work writing after 9 p. m., with the thermometer still up to 92 degrees in the room in which you are sitting.

This morning we visited Kalalwala, a village four miles distant from Pasrur. There are a number of Christian women at this place who are very much in need of Christian instruction, and therefore we have been going there once a week for some weeks, and it gives us so much pleasure to note that each time we go they take an increased interest in our meetings.

It is interesting to hear old and young repeating together the catechism verses of scripture or psalms. We divide the women and girls into two classes, and Miss Lawrence takes one and I the other, and then begins the repeating over and over again until questions and answers are learned.

This morning after the lesson was finished, some of the women were very anxious for us to see their houses, so we sat for a little while in two houses. The houses in this part of the Punjab are all very much alike. There is the open court-yard with the windowless room or rooms opening into it, and unless they are very poor in one corner of it is tied the cow and calf. In one of these houses a wedding breakfast was being prepared, which I am sure is in no danger of being imitated by any of the Magazine's lady readers. It consisted of chopities (thin cakes made of unbolted wheat flour) well greased with ghi (clarified butter and a preparation intended to be eaten with these cakes).

The drive to the villages in the early mornings just now is very pleasant, but I do not think many of our dear friends over in America would care for one so early. At this season the only pleasant part of the day is the early morning.

May 14—Word has come to us of the death of Mr. and Mrs. Morrison's little baby boy, which occured in Dharmsala Sabbath morning. They will have the sympathy of all in this trial. Yours very sincerely, JOSEPHINE L. WHITE.

FOREIGN NEWS BUDGET.

MARY B. REID.

As some of the news items came too late for the June MAGAZINE, we have packed them all in our July Budget. The Assiout notes are both April and May, Mrs. Rose Hart writes:

DEAR FRIENDS:—Looking out upon the fields we see both harvesting and threshing going on. Looking in upon our every day work, there seems little difference between the work of one month and another. It seems to take a long time to prepare the soil, plant the seed and reach the harvest to which we are looking forward. Maybe, we have been receiving a little necessary threshing in the shape of influenza, of which some of us have been having a taste.

There is one subject upon which all here seem to agree jnst now. The general expression of it is in the words so often heard, "Oh, the heat." It is hot everywhere. True the wind blows sometimes, but even then the air feels as though it were coming out of a bake oven. Think of fifty boys confined in a recitation room almost an hour at a time; is it any wonder they are wilted, and also rejoicing that they will soon be off to their homes? While we are feeling the heat very much it seems doubly hard on Dr. Henry, who is much more exposed than the rest of us. So many are ill from one cause or another that he has very little time to think of himself. At present a woman is here who came over two hundred miles to be treated for cancer. Truly the miseries and afflictions of this life are varied indeed, but happy are they who can look beyond this world to a better home, where no sickness or trouble may ever enter.

The missionary children who are old enough to attend school are off with their teacher, Miss Rankin, to the lower country. We miss them here, but they will do better work in a cooler place.

The missionary circle here is as well as usual and all are able for regular work.

Mrs. A. E. Nichol writes from Luxor:

We are more or less influenced by the coming and going of the travelers. The steamer which left this place last Sabbath evening carried away the English physicians and others who had been staying at the hotels during the winter. Now we may say the hot days have come, the loneliest of the year. This thought came to us as we watched the

steamer move away to Cairo.

A party of Americans known as the "Congregational Party," anchored here a few days last week. They evinced much interest in our work, and their words of encouragement were like cooling breezes from home to help us on for many a day. To such as these we say, "May the stars and stripes again float o'er your Nile boat and come again to see us and the wonders of Pharaoh's land."

A few weeks ago we were cheered by a short visit from Rev. Murch. This being his old home, his many native friends came to greet and welcome him again to their homes. He preached on the Sabbath.

Day before yesterday I went to read and pray with a father and mother who had that day buried their little son. The love of Christ and the way of salvation has been pointed out to them, but I was pained to see their religious coldness as they wept over the death of their child.

Last Friday we visited Arment, a town of two thousand inhabitants, nine miles south of this. There church services are conducted on Sabbath and a prayer-meeting Friday evenings by a native evangelist who is blind. We were told about twenty men attended these meetings, only four of whom have professed Christ. I saw the women of three houses. Three told me they could read. They were attentive in listening to the word of God, and how my heart did go out to them as I thought of their limited knowledge of Him whom to know is life everlasting.

Does not the question come to you as well as to me; what can we do for the many such as these? We have lately employed a blind man to go out to houses in Luxor and teach women the Catechism and to read the Bible. He has a class of seventeen women, all Copts. It is our purpose to visit these and urge them to come to church. May the Lord bless our efforts.

Mrs. Grace H. Giffen gives Tanta notes for April as follows:

The last month has been a difficult time to work. The feasts and the "little fairs" of Syyid, filled the minds of the people completely. Even the work of the colporteurs was greatly effected by the general demoralization, while the schools were all dismissed for a time, and the pupils came straggling in for days after it was all over.

The day following Eastern Easter is a general holiday. It is an old Egyptian custom in which all Egyptians unite, and even many Europeans resident in the country take this as a holiday.

These feast days and fairs consume a lot of the poor people's money, and so the people will not buy books, for they have spent all their money in new clothes for the great holiday. They can't pay for their children in school, for they have spent all feasting.

For more than a week, night and day, Tanta was hideous with the noise of fire-crackers, guns, music, screaming and general hubbub. But altogether it was better than usual at the time of a fair. There were not so many people in attendance, owing to "hard times." For even in Egypt we feel the general financial depression of the world.

In the district things are a little quieter than they were a month ago. At Malege where we have met with such determined opposition from the Copts especially and the people generally, we are having a little quiet and rest from our persecutors, and the signs are more hopeful. Were it not for the opposition of the Coptic priesthood, the condition of things in Malege would be favorable for good work. We still hope for this in the near future.

Other points in this district remain about as they were a month ago. In Tanta the boys' school has decreased in numbers and the girls' school increased. The recent increase in the girls' brings all the children of our own people into our schools. This is a matter of some importance, as it is very essential they have proper Christian training in early years, or they don't often make good evangelicals afterward. The home training in this country is not sufficiently careful to counteract the evil influence of an education in a Greek or Catholic school, and indeed would it be any where?

We are especially pleased to report one thing that has come about during the last month. It is this: we have at last gotten a weekly prayer-meeting for women started. Does it seem a little thing to you? Well, had you been working toward it for two years, you would find that it grew in size and beauty as time passed. The attendance is not as large as we could wish, but that too we hope will grow. Now we have nine women and all the girls in school. Some of the girls are quite small, but we are glad to get even the little ones.

The school in Malege is still suffering from the persecutions of the Coptic priests. We do not know what the end will be, but trust it will be to the glory of God and the growth of his work in this land.

We noticed in a home paper that cholera had appeared in Egypt. I think this is a mistake. It has appeared among pilgrims at Mecca, and when such is the case there is always a possibility of it reaching Egypt. But as it, almost every year, does appear at the holy shrine of Islam, and does not reach Egypt, we hope that it will not this year. The general health of the people at present is good, although there have been many ill with influenza, which however is not generally so severe as in Europe nor so often fatal. Smallpox too has been more frequent than is common, although there is always smallpox in Egypt. Some of our missionaries have been ill with influenza, and find their strength considerably wasted from it. Others, although in usual health, need a change, which they will probably have during the summer.

Mrs. T. J. Finney writes of Mansourah:

The examination of girls' school in Mansourah has recently been held. This examination is held only once in two years, because it breaks into the regular study too much. The girls have made commendable progress during the year, and the teachers have been most faithful. They, and many of the larger girls, worked hard from early morning till sunset for a month, getting ready for these exercises. The sewing department made an exhibit, and there were many pieces of work to be finished at the last. Most of the classes examined were in Arabic, but there were some examinations in French and English. Domestic economy and physiology have been added to the customary studies this year. Recitations and dialogues were given in the three languages mentioned, and at the close six little girls dressed in white, and six in pink, gave the May pole very prettily. The singing of "Tis merry merry May" was just as sweet as if it had been sung by little American girls. The class which won most praise for itself consisted of one Mohammedan, one Copt, one Syrian and one Jewess.

Werda, our Bible woman, has been called to mourn the death of her only sister and has been off duty for a time. Her parents have long been dead, and as for years she had made her home with this sister, she is bereft indeed. We all feel very deeply for her.

The teacher of our second girls' school, which was especially for Mohammedans, has been sent to open a school at Mehalla. We were sorry to lose her from this place, but there was such pressing demand for a school at Mehalla that it was thought best for her to go there. It is only a month since that school was opened, and she already has forty girls under instruction. We hope great good will come from the work started in that town. We are

very much needing another teacher in Mansourah, but teachers are most difficult to procure. May God raise up many, many more laborers to work in his vine-yard.

From Luxor, Egypt, Mrs. A. E. Nichol writes as follows:

"As I write, the kamsin wind is blowing, rattling doors and windows and scattering dust throughout the house. In the morning everything will be covered with a white coat. We anticipated hot days, but thus far we have had but few of them and the weather is very pleasant. A few days ago the thermometer stood at 92 degrees Fahrenheit at 8:30 a. m. in the house. The next day at the same time it had fallen to 74 degrees.

Many of the people are ill from influenza.

Last Sabbath two infants were baptized.

We learn that the building in which the boys' school was conducted in Koos has been destroyed by fire.

I have been accompanying our blind man teacher, to hear him teach his class of women and the girls who are too large to be permitted by their parents to come to school. There is little formality about his manner of teaching. Though blind, he is able to go to almost all the houses alone. He knocks at the door, and when it is opened and salutations given, and he is fairly seated upon a mat or divan, as the case may be, he calls, "Ya Miriam, Ya Rifga, bring your Bible and catechism and recite your lesson." Thereupon they come and sit down before him. Miriam being the mother, nurses the baby while Rifga, the daughter, reads her chapter. She is asked a few questions by the teacher and recites from the catechism, then the mother begins. She is reading in St. John. Soon the baby cries and wants the book; the pigeons fly about; some one knocks at the door; the children make noise, and altogether it is not easy reciting. However, the native seems to close his ear to confusion that would very much disturb the average American.

I am well pleased with the progress of those whom he teaches under such trying circumstances. They read well and seemed to understand reasonably well. One woman, whose lesson was in II Samuel, having finished reading the chapter, closed the book and repeated it fluently in her own language, or in talk Arabic.

May the work be blessed of God that it may redound to His honor and glory and the good of fallen mankind.

We are very sorry to have no notes from Indianola for this month. Through some misunderstanding no one was appointed at the last Association meeting to gather the news items and forward, but we have been assured that by another month some arrangement will be again made.

The Foreign secretary hopes very soon to be able to announce the names of two more new missionary women.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT.

WANTED!

WANTED! young feet to follow
Where Jesus leads the way
Into the fields where harvest
Is rip'ning day by day:
Now, while the breaeh of morning
Scents all the dewy air,
Now, in the fresh, sweet dawning,
Oh! follow Jesus there!

Wanted! young hands to labor,
The fields are broad and wide,
And harvest waits the reaper
Around on ev'ry side;
None are too poor or lowly,
None are too weak or small,
For in His service holy
The Master needs them all.

Wanted! young ears to listen,
Wanted! young eyes to see,
Wanted! hearts to answer,
With throb of sympathy,
When on the wild waves' sighing
The strange sad tale is borne
Of lands in darkness lying,
Forsaken and forlorn.

Wanted! the young soul's ardor;
Wanted! the young mind's powers;
Wanted! the young lips' freshness;
Wanted! youth's golden hours,
Wanted to tell the story,
To watch the glad sunrise.
To hail the coming glory,
To seek, and win the prize!

Come! for the Saviour calls you!
Come! for the work is great!
Come! for the hours are hasting;
Come! ere it be too late!
Come, and be burden-bearers
With Him, your glorious Lord;
Come, and be happy sharers
In His most blest reward. —*Selected.*

Shadyside United Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh.

The Little Light Bearers of the Shadyside United Presbytertan church, Pittsburgh, held a reception in the church, June 13th, from 3 to 5 o'clock. Forty-one little tots, ranging in age from three months to five years, were present. The church was fitted up as a parlor, with comfortable rockers large and small, center tables with vases of lovely flowers, and two tea-tables from which tea and cake were served to the ladies as they sat in groups.

A very short program was enjoyed, after which the mothers repaired to the dining-room adjoining, where a lunch of Brownie cakes, twists and milk was prepared for the babies. The babies were seated in high chairs at the table, and even the youngest seemed to enjoy the occasion.

Previous to the occasion the Junior leaders had sent out to each baby in the congregation and to others also, a neat invitation written on juvenile paper. An admission fee of 15 cents was charged at the door for those coming without babies. This is the second reception of this kind held here, and both have been a success.

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JUNIOR MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

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THOSE interested in Junior Missionary societies will be glad to know that during the year just closed there were twenty-nine societies organized, nearly all consisting of from two to ten divisions. Nine hundred and two new members were received. This does not include the honorary members or Little Light Bearers' missions. The latter numbers over 400, nearly all new members. The contributions amount to $3,803.61, making the excellent average of over 77½ cents per member.

Although the new year has just begun we can report two new societies, of which we hope to receive a fuller account later. Another Presbyterial secretary has been added to our list, that of Miss Fannie Williams, of Argyle Presbytery. A number of inquiries have been received about Junior hours, Junior rallies, open meetings, etc., showing an increased interest in this department. Let us hear frequently from societies as to their meetings, plans, methods. Help your secretary that she may help others.

Resolutions adopted by the Women's General Missionary society at its meeting in Jersey City, May 16th, 1895:

That we do hold the Junior missionary work to be a work of vast importance, and as it is the only junior organization under the care of this society, we urge the members of this convention to see to it that none of the congregations in their Presbyteries be without such an organization, and that every Presbyterial elect a Junior secretary; that we be more thoughtful for the reputation of this department, and aid our secretary, by putting forth every effort to organize and maintain a good Junior missionary society, thoroughly equipped for work, reporting the same clearly and fully to the general secretary, remembering that 'ere many years are gone those who are now juniors will be seniors, holding these conventions, sitting in our church courts, and carrying forward the church work, showing to the world how we did, or failed to do, our whole duty in teaching and training them for the Master's service.

The following resolution was passed by the recent General Assembly endorsing the Junior missionary societies:

We most heartily commend the Junior missionary work to the favorable consideration of the church. We recommend the co-operation of the officers of the local societies with the general secretary in the extension of this work.

Below we give you the report on Junior work as presented by the President of the Board of Directors to the General Assembly:

The work in this department is as old as the mission bands of our church; the name only is new. In 1892 some of the earnest women of our missionary society, appreciating the necessity of marshaling

the forces to render more efficient service, asked for the appointment of a general secretary, and more thorough organization of the young people's work. The Women's Board was directed to appoint such a secretary and in compliance with the instruction, the Board in October, 1892, appointed a general secretary. As soon as possible, the officers of each Presbyterial society were notified of this action, and requested to appoint a Presbyterial secretary.

In order that this work may be comprehended, permit a few words of explanation about our organization. It was the intention, as far as practicable, to have in each congregation a Women's missionary society, and a branch, which would include all bands of boys and girls under whatever name they might choose to work; also the Little Light Bearers, children under five years, in accordance with the example of Hannah, who consecrated her child to the Lord in tender youth.

In the secretary's report, page 53, you will find an account of the progress of the Junior work for the last year, showing that work is being better understood, and new societies are coming into line. Thirty-six Presbyterial societies have elected Junior secretaries, and the uniform testimony is that the children are becoming interested in the cause.

With an earnest prayer for a blessing on the Junior missionary work, we commend it to all the members of our church, asking that in the rush and whirl of their busy lives, the religious culture of the children be not neglected.

In this society the children are taught concerning the missionary operations of the church, and by the instructions they receive they catch the missionary spirit, are trained to benevolence and systematic giving, and are prepared by the other exercises in which they engage to take their places in any department of the work of the church.

We believe there is no other organization that can take the place of the Junior missionary society and accomplish the work it has in view.

New members this year, 902. Contributions for the year, $3,803.61.

THE ORIGIN AND MEANING OF THE NAME "CHRISTIAN."

MRS. MARY HARPER WILSON.
Read before the meeting of the W. G. M. S. at Jersey City.

This has well been called the age of organizations. In the multitude of human interests there have sprung up in the world hordes of societies and associations, clubs and guilds, until the most of us would feel very much behind the time, very far estranged from the so-called "spirit of the age," did we not hold membership in *some*, or at least in *one*, of these many-lettered organizations. We do not mean here to call in question the wisdom and advantage of giving our allegiance to such associations; but sometimes it has occurred to us that in the multiplicity of these interests of modern life, we do not always have vividly before as the fact that while adherence to these associations may be a matter merely of expedience or of enjoyment, yet there is one great society to which we *must* belong, or we shall forfeit all hope of eternal and true temporal welfare. One title there is, to hold which should be a source of gratitude and holy joy. At least of the invisible church we must be members if we would hope to be joined with the church triumphant. We should consider the name of Christian the loftiest one that we can bear.

The subject assigned is self-divided into two parts; and we shall first consider the *origin* of this word, "Christian." About this matter, simple as at first glance it may seem, there have been several theories, each possessing some measure of foundation. The word is used only three times in the entire New Testament, the first of these being when we

are told that "the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch." Now the Greek word translated "called" is one which elsewhere is used to denote something imparted in a supernatural manner; and from this it has been argued that the name was directly revealed by God as being the appellation which He wished the new sect to adopt. In our judgment, however, this can scarcely have been the case, as such an indication from the Deity would have been most sacredly observed by those who received it. But we find that the name was not in any general use in the church during the apostolic times; for, as has been stated, it occurs in scripture only twice after its first mention: *once*, when Felix says, "Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian," and *again*, when Peter writes, "Yet if any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed," and in both these instances the word is used as if quoted from the popular speech of those outside of the church, rather than as if it had been the name which the believers took for themselves.

Another theory is that the name originated with the Jews, who flung it in contempt at the hated Nazarenes. This, however, is improbable, as the Israelites themselves held in honor the sacred word "Christ," the Greek equivalent of the Hebrew "Messiah," towards whose personal reign many of them are still sadly turning their veiled faces, and it is not likely that they would apply this word as a term of obloquy.

Still other expositors have supposed that the quick populace of Antioch, hearing this strange new sect speak frequently and reverently of that Christ who had come into the world, and not looking far enough to see how much the term imported, did, in a moment of laughter and derision, fasten this title upon the humble followers of Him who *was* indeed the anointed. And, incidentally, let us take a lesson from these early believers. Would our worldly neighbors to-day take knowledge from our conversation that we follow Jesus, the Christ?

To our mind it seems most probable that this last explanation may come nearest the truth, though perhaps the idea of it being given as a term of reproach and ignominy should be *eliminated*; for, seemingly, the inspired record did not view it as so given or so received, since it is immediately after telling of the success with which the Gospel had met at Antioch that he adds, as a sort of climax, "And the disciples were called Christians first at Antioch." In such case, it seems a little singular that the disciples did not gladly hail this proud title and use it constantly as their great glory. This may be accounted for, perhaps, by the fact that they also would shrink from using, as applied to themselves, a name derived from the *official title* of their glorious Redeemer. Perhaps it may be that a humble sense of their own unworthiness even to bear His name may have restrained them from adopting the term, and may have led them to use the less lofty names of disciples and brethren. These, we think, are the chief theories advanced with respect to the origin of the word "Christian."

And now we turn from the mere study of nomenclature to that more searching question, "What ought we to *mean* when we use this word?" Too wide, indeed, has grown its application, for many seem to think that if one be not actually a blatant infidel, a Mohammedan, or a benighted idolater, he may lay claim to this most sacred name. Time does not allow us to enter into a minute analysis of the negative side of this question, but affirmatively we would say that only those should claim to be Christians who have accepted the Divine Redeemer as their own personal Saviour. No mere lukewarm admiration in general of the beauty

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and eminence of Immanuel's character, no half-hearted assent to the doctrines of grace, should be deemed sufficient to constitute a Christian; but an intelligent, devout and humble trust in the Saviour for salvation. This, we think, is the first, the *paramount* characteristic of a true Christian. The possessor of this obedient faith, moreover, will desire to obey the Lord's command, and will long to be united visibly with the household of God; will ardently join with those who observe the Holy Supper, and, not resting contented with a timid, shrinking unproclaimed love for the Master, will eagerly avail himself of the opportunity to make public profession of his faith.

But not only is the true Christian to be distinguished from the unbelieving world, but even in the church itself he who would strive to attain to the highest type of Christianity, must, we think, seek to avoid two dangers. The first is that of lukewarmness, of letting the ardor of his love grow chill, and of becoming one who is not forward in the work of the Lord. On the other hand, however, let him not fall before the even more insidious temptation of believing that a great deal of noise, stir and demonstration is necessary to the carrying on of the holy work, that nothing can be done without a considerable amount of clarion-blowing, and at least a degree of boasting, until, in fact, he is so engaged in displaying his own emotions for the benefit of others that he gives small opportunity for the good seed to germinate and to fructify in that nearest of all fields—his own heart.

But we must not write at further length on these points. Let us remember, in conclusion, that one who is a Christian should exhibit in his life and character some resemblance—faint it *must* be, and yet unmistakable it *should* be—some resemblance, we say, to the great Model, our ever-blessed Lord. How wide a view this opens to our gaze! We may not guide your eyes to individual points in which our lives and hearts may be copies of the Saviour. These you know. May grace be given us so that by long gazing with the eye of faith upon his glorious perfection, and striving, though hopelessly, to imitate and resemble our transcendent Copy, we may come, more and more, into His image, until at last we reach that world where "we *shall* be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is."

Xenia, Ohio.

CLIPPINGS.

India.—Miss Phillips, of Balasoer, Orissa, says: "I am sure you will think I have abundant reason for making a thank-offering when I tell you the Lord has permitted us as a family to give 166 years of service to India. This includes the time given by father, mother, brother, and five sisters, and when added to the time of two brothers-in-law and one sister-in-law makes a total of 206 years."

An interesting sign of changing times in India was furnished in a Mohammedan educational and social conference, held at Ahmedabad in October. The fact was brought home that if they are even to hold their own in the future, the education of their children must go beyond the mere learning of the Koran by heart. A result of their present defective education is that, out of 1000 subordinate clerks in the collectorate of Ahmedabad, only two are Mohammedans. A noble feature of the conference was that Mullahs and Moulvies advocate *female* education.

OUR missionaries! Yea, verily *ours*. Ours, because we pray for them. Ours, because we give to sustain their work. Ours, even as we are one, and all are Christ's.

Life and Light has been examining the records of the American Board, and finds that women began to organize for missionary giving as early as 1812; finds also that during the first ten years about one tenth of the receipts are acknowledged as from women. Among the various items are such as these: "The Female of Color, $5; the Indigent Female, $3; the Aged Widow, $5; the Pious Lady, $10; the Unknown Female, $1; Lucy, $1; the Little Girl, .06; the Poor Woman, .50; the Elderly Lady, .75; the Pious Females, $2; the Two Children and Hired Girl, $3; the Servant Girl, .40; the Two Widows, $1.25, and many other 'Female Friends of Missions,' whose names are written in heaven. We have a glimpse of sacrifices in the gift of a gold watch, in the avails of gold beads, a bracelet, a necklace, and other jewelry; of a chaise, and of 10 cents, a premium obtained in Sabbath-school."

Mrs. Capron's history illustrates how a foreign missionary is made by home missionary prayers. Her father, Dr. Hooker, a saintly man, said to his daughter, about to be married to Mr. Capron, to go with him to India: "How came you ever to think of going abroad as a foreign missionary?" feeling the bitterness of the separntion. "Why, father," she replied, "I do not count it strange. I have heard you pray for missions all my life, and now I am going to answer your prayers."—*Life and Light.*

Bishop Doan once said that organized love and loving organization are the essential and characteristic features of the Women's Missionary Society.

How to Make the Missionary Meeting Interesting.

A bright, cheerful place of meeting, with plenty of God's sunlight, distilled in that nectar we call fresh air. You will not get it in the basement of the church, or in the little back vestry, but in that nice, large committee-room that you helped to furnish, and that is as pleasant to entertain Divine visitants in as is your well-kept parlor, where you welcome chosen guests. Yes; ours is a sunshine dispensary to send out light and warmth to the dark places of the earth; and everything that begets gloom must be vanished from our meetings.

Now, you are comfortable as to your bodies, let them pass out of sight.

Committee, where are your flowers? Ah! there they are. You are wise. These delicate blooms speak to the soul with an eloquence far superior to words.

Now let us take a step higher. Give us music. How it lifts the spirits up! We can sing when language fails us. It is the voice of the heart. It differs from speech, it differs from prayer; it is praise. Well, how is your room furnished? The best upholstery I know of is—not gobelin tapestry—but the clothing of human souls! What meaneth those meetings of threes and fours and sevens? If the mission work is good for me and the minister's wife and the old lady, why not for the rank and file of the church?

"Come to our society next Wednesday," I say to my pew neighbor. "Oh! I'm not a member." "No matter, you remember the announcement read: Visitors cordially welcomed,' Shall I call for you?" and the thing is done. Every member does it, and the room is full, and the air is filled with the inspiration of life, which is sweeter incense to the Almighty than the sweetest nectar-laden atmosphere.

And she'll come again—that visitor. Next day, at her work, she thinks it all

over, and asks herself the question: What am I living for? We are not our own! We are bought with a price. O, such a price!" And the tears fall and mingle with her washing–blessed lotion! Now, how are you going to spend the hour? Come out here, Madam President, let me look at you. Yes, you have a sunny face, not easily discouraged, I should judge. You love the work. That is good. You have tact. Yes; that's necessary.

Let us begin. I'm so glad you have a prompt secretary, and a careful treasurer, and conscience-endowed members generally. First: there is the employment of every faculty of the *mind* for the business in hand. Then that business is *yours*, not your neighbor's. It is your *own*, and no others'. Then the business itself must be thoroughly investigated, that it may be properly done. A little thing well done is a stepping-stone to a greater deed.

Don't keep people in office until they fossilize. Good blood is got by good circulation.—*Exchange.*

EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT.

Our Educational Institutions.

Of Moses it was said that he "was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians and was mighty in words and in deeds." Of Paul that he was "A citizen of no mean city," was brought up at the feet of Gamaliel and that his letters were weighty and powerful." These two men, one of the old and the other of the new Testament; one with a pagan, the other with a Jewish and pagan education, were mightily used by the providence of God to mould the history of the world for all time. A wise and pious mother once said, "I think a good education is the best thing a parent can give a child, for whatever else can be taken away that can never be taken." What are we as United Presbyterians, and bringing it closer still, what are we of the General Missionary society doing for the cause of Christian education in general and of our own institutions in particular? Our seminaries, colleges and academies dot our country, north, south, east and west, and loom up in our foreign work. We point to their faithful and capable instructors, to their useful and honored alumni, doing good work in all parts of the world, and say, "By their fruits ye shall know them." If the tree be good and its fruit good, then it surely devolves on every Christian patriot to see to it that every condition of vigorous and continuous growth is fully met. This tree of education, which broke the soil in the early ages of the world, has been growing with the progress of the centuries, and will grow till time sweeps into eternity; and it remains with us to say whether we will do ourselves the pleasure and benefit of lending a helping hand to so inspiring and far-reaching a work. We do wish that when the time for raising funds for our educational institutions comes our church would rise to its great opportunity and swell the treasury to overflowing, and that prayers would be offered for them daily, not merely during the "week of prayer."

Our Training Schools.

It was a happy thought that led our ladies some months ago to make plans for the beginning of training schools in the church. One year ago a committee, of which Mrs. H. C. Campbell was chairman, was appointed to consider the work, and at the late convention at Jersey City it was directed that two such schools be established, one at Allegheny, Pa., and one at Xenia, O., in connection with the

Theological seminaries at these respective places.

It had been found that the professors in our seminaries are in full sympathy with the movement, and are willing to do all in their power to assist in giving instruction. It was also ascertained that the directors of the seminaries have given their approval to the connection of these schools with the seminaries, in so far as they would not conflict with the regular curriculum of studies, and the way seemed opened to proceed at once with the work.

In compliance therefore with the indications of Providence, and with the expressed wish of previous conventions, the Twelfth General convention gave instructions, and local committees were appointed at Allegheny and Xenia to have charge of arrangements, and that these schools should be opened during the present year.

The wisdom of such schools must be apparent to all. Technical training, in connection with every calling and profession, is now universally considered as necessary. No one expects now-a-days to begin an occupation without some apprenticeship. No one at the present is allowed to enter medicine, or law, or any of the professions over which the state has control, without a course of special instruction fitting him for the work. And yet our church has for years been sending out our lady foreign missionaries and our city missionaries, and teachers in Freedmen's and other departments without any technical training whatever for their particular work.

Our active laymen, our Sabbath-school workers, our leaders in the Young People's work and in mission enterprises, have been praying all these years that they might become better fitted for personal work for Christ. They have been anxious to know more about the Bible, and to know better how to use it. They have been longing that they might be able to lead inquirers to Christ and dissolve doubts in the minds of seeking souls, and be ready to be used by the Spirit more largely in the work of the kingdom. In these training schools an opportunity will be given to all our Christian workers to become under God more ably equipped for the Master's service.

That these training schools have proved successful elsewhere argues well for the success of such schools in our own church; and if, as the prospect seems to be, they can be commenced without much expense, there is no reason why our young people should be compelled longer to seek, outside of our own denomination, the help that these schools may give.

These schools will pass, of course, through a process of development. Ideals will not be realized at once. The attendance, the course of study, the practical results, will be increased and perfected with the passing years. Changing experience and growing demands may possibly in coming days dictate different management, a teaching force separate from our seminary faculties and a wider range of opportunities for instruction; but He, in whose hand are all our affairs, will in His own good time, by the guidance of His Spirit, bring to pass the things that please Him. May the Lord's blessing rest upon our training schools.

L. B.

That missionaries both home and foreign are only human and *do* get tired and discouraged, appears from the following half humorous, but natural plaint of an earnest worker among Zuni Indians. Home Mission Monthly says: "There have been times, and I suppose there will be again, when I have felt as if I did not want 'the heathen for my inheritance,' or the 'uttermost parts of the earth for my possession,' but that is generally

when there has been a howling sand storm raging for days; when the only peaceful time (the lonely hours of the night) is broken by the sound of the dance-drum, with all its suggestions of evil; when the longing for friends gets unbearable; when the Indians smash the well-windlass and look injured because you do not work a miracle and bring the water to the surface without it; when the only way you can get a variety in your diet is to leave out one or two of the dishes you had at the previous meal. But it would not be fair to take our sentiments at such times as the expression of our real convictions."

"Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus." If Christians had this mind missionary work would be no abnormal service.

Through the courtesy of Messrs. Sheldrake & Kearney, publishers, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dr. C. Jane Vincent secured the plate of Memorial Hospital used last month free of cost to the MAGAZINE. A highly appreciated favor, for which thanks are due.

Lessons are being prepared by Rev. J. M. Fulton, D. D., on the Freedmen's work, and will appear in the next issue of the MAGAZINE. We hope to give a lesson for every month during the year. The lessons which were recently published on Egypt, can now be had in booklet form at 3 cents each. This includes postage. Other lessons will be published in this form later. Please address all requests for literature to the Literature Secretary of your Presbyterial, or to the General Literature Secretary. See MAGAZINE for address.

The MAGAZINE has many agents thro' the church who are untiring in their efforts on its behalf. How to acknowledge these in some fitting way, that it might be known what they are doing, has been a problem with the committee. On the advice of a friend experienced in journalistic work, it has been decided to try the method of announcing in the MAGAZINE each month every letter containing *more than one* subscription, along with the amount and the name of the sender, and her post-office. Letters containing one subscription each will be acknowledged under "Individual subscriptions." The committee have adopted this plan for one year, to begin with the August number of MAGAZINE, and to include all sums received after July 1st. We are happy to state that our list has been growing some during the past year, and we hope for a still further increase. Agents and friends, continue to send in your orders for sample copies. They are cheerfully filled.

At the re-organization of the MAGAZINE Committee, Mrs. Kelso kindly consented to relieve Mrs. Patterson of the treasurership, thus allowing her to give more time and attention to other departments of the work. Therefore, all communications to the treasurer may be addressed to Mrs. S. M. Kelso, West Main street, Xenia, Ohio. Mrs. H. C. Dean will have charge of the Young People's department. Her address is Jamestown, Ohio.

A prospectus has been prepared and sent out by the committee having in charge the Bible Training school connected with the Xenia Theological seminary. Any one desiring a prospectus or information relating to the school, boarding, etc., can obtain what they wish by writing to Mrs. R. S. Finley, Xenia, O. It is hoped many Christian workers will avail themselves of the opportunities offered for thorough instruction in Bible study under such competent and efficient teachers as the seminary offers.

"A city set on a hill cannot be hid." Beautiful for situation is Newburg–on–Hudson, with the majestic river broadening into Newburgh Bay at her feet. A more inspiring and delightful location for the study of the word of God, which gives 'peace like a river,' could not be found. We know the Bible school generously provided for our church by the Synod of New York, will be very pleas ant and profitable, and expect good word from it. There should be no east or west in our Zion, unless it be to vie with each other in Christian courtesy and "in honor preferring one another."

That will be a great meeting of the Christian Union in Columbus, Ohio, in August.

Miss Lyde McCool, who has faithfully and efficiently served our Women's Board as city missionary at Topeka, Kas., has accepted a position of a more permanent character. The card announcing the new "home mission" reads "Thomas T. Anderson—Lyde Agnes McCool. Married Wednesday, June 12, Seward, Nebraska. At home after June 25th, Indianola, Ia." The MAGAZINE and its readers extend congratulations.

STUDIES FOR MISSIONARY SOCIETIES FOR 1895.

AUGUST.—Our Missions on the Nile and in the Punjab.
SEPTEMBER.—Church Ex. and Min. Relief.
OCTOBER.—Indian Missions.
NOVEMBER.—Freedmen's Missions.
DECEMBER.—The Gospel in all lands.

PROGRAMME FOR AUGUST.

SUBJECT.—Our missions on the Nile, and in the Punjab.

Exercises opened by prayer, reading Isaiah 19, 1-22, and singing Psalm 98: 1-4, B. S. No. 137. Devotion continued at discretion of the leader.

Paper upon the following subjects:

Egypt, the Gift of the Nile. Source of the great rivers, and cause of overflow.

Work of the Nile boat, Ibis.

Birth of our India mission; and sending of its first missionary, Dr. Andrew Gordon. See "Our India Mission," by Dr. Gordon.

English occupation and influence in Egypt and India, and indebtedness of our missions to British rule.

India's two great vices—the opium trade and child marriage.

The crisis in Turkey. Its cause, and probable influence upon our mission work in Egypt and India.

Rightly to understand the vacillation and temporizing of Turkey over the demand of the Powers that she adopt sweeping administrative reforms, one needs to know something of the absurd and complicated system by which that country is governed. Nominally the Sultan is an absolute despot. In reality he is so terrorized by a clique of corrupt and fanatical "high-priests" of Islam and so-called advisers who infest the palace, that there is hardly a command which he issues of his own free will. The "Sublime Porte," which figures so frequently in the dispatches, has little actual control of affairs. A report of its deliberations is transmitted weekly to the palace, and there is submitted to the decision, ostensibly of the Sultan, really of these ignorant and unscrupulous sheiks of Islam. By holding over the Sultan the terror of a deposition, which threatens his life as well as his office, these parasities have been able to block all efforts for reform.

It is not difficult to see, therefore, why it is next to impossible to force the government to any measure of reform. But such reforms as those prepared by England, Russia and France, which propose to place Christian governors and vice-governors in the provinces of Turkey east of Sivas, and to increase the number of Christian judges in proportion to the number of Christian inhabitants in any district, is a direct blow at the power of these rascally adventurers which they may be relied-upon to resist to the end. Their stock in trade is the perpetuation of the sway of Islam, which they seek to accomplish by fomenting these religious strifes and massacres. To bring about reforms is little less than to dethrone this corrupt priesthood, which would amount practically to a revolution.

Turkey has not resisted progress from mere sloth and indifference, but because of this powerful and determined opposition. But both the internal rage against it on the part of the down-trodden people, and the attitude of the great Powers give promise that its days are now few. The question is, whether this corrupt religio-political parasite can be torn off without destroying the life of the nation.—*Excerpts from article in The Advance.*

Widely separated from oriental countries, we are apt to think we have no responsibility as a nation in the Eastern question; but we should remember that the United States has more missions in Turkey than any other nationality. We cannot escape our destiny. The time has come when the moral influence of our nation should be potentially exerted in the settlement of national questions. It is also significant that the Moslem subjects of England's Christian queen outnumber those of the Sultan of Turkey, and thus the political and religious interests of the two greatest Christian nations are vitally touched by any question that affects the Ottoman empire.

NOTE.—The presentation of an unusual number and variety of topics in the program, gives opportunity for discretionary choice to meet the needs of different societies. MRS. R. S. FINLEY.

REPORTS AND MISCELLANY.

Report of Women's Board.

The Directors of the Board met in regular session June 4, at 10 a. m., to reorganize for the year 1895–1896. The following were elected:

President, Mrs. Annie R. Herron.
1st Vice Pres., Mrs. W. H. McMillan.
2nd Vice Pres., Miss E. D. Brown.
Secretary foreign work, Mrs. W. J. Reid.
Secretary home work, Mrs. H. C. Campbell.
Secretary freedmen's work, Dr. C. Jane Vincent.
Ch. Ex. & Par. Fund sec'y, Mrs. M. M. Patterson.
Jr. missionary work, Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson.
Thank-offering, Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter.
Literatnre, Mrs. E. J. McPherson.
R. R. Sec'y, Miss E. D. Brown.

Treasurer, Miss E. J. Sloan and Rec. Sec'y, Mrs. Mary W. Porter, were elected by W. G. M. S. at Jersey City, May, 1895.

Executive Committee, the officers of the Board with the addition of Mrs. Geo. W. McDonald and Mrs. Jas. A. Grier.

Financial Committee, Mrs. H. C. Campbell, Mrs. M. J. Stevenson and Miss E. J. Sloan.

Foreign secretary reports from Miss Corbett, who wishes to return to India.

It was decided to assume the salary of Miss Brown, who is at present in Egypt, in addition to the four missionaries to be sent by the Board this year.

Miss Lou Moore, of Indianapolis, was appointed to fill the place of Miss Lyde A. McCool, who retires June 1st. The congratulations of the Board are tendered Miss McCool. We also wish to express our appreciation of the efficient work done by Miss McCool in the home mission field, while under our care.

Miss M. J. Stewart has been appointed home missionary at Spokane.

Mr. Alter reports a great deal of sickness among the Indians at the Warm Springs Indian mission. Secretary was authorized to see that Mr. Alter has funds placed at his disposal for the relief of the sick and needy.

Freedmen's secretary reports from Chase City and Henderson. Both schools have over $18 each in the treasurery to begin work with in the fall.

Referring to the new work undertaken in the Freedmen's department, Miss Wallace recommends that we purchase land at Prairie Bluff instead of Miller's Ferry. 640 acres are offered at $8 an acre.

Treasurer reports Thank-offering up to June 1st, $14,747.

One new life member received, Mrs. Joseph F. Neely, of Allegheny, Pa.

Treasurer reports receipts from April 20th to May 1st, $582.78; May receipts, $1053.94; disbursements, $7995.40.

MARY W. PORTER, Sec.

Question Drawer.

[Address all communications for this department to Miss E. W. Pollock, 314 West 5th St., Erie, Pa.]

SUGGESTIONS.

What we miss for want of thought and care! As we looked over the list of subscribers to the Missionary Magazine in one congregation, we found that the Magazine was taken by a half dozen or more who never, or but seldom, attend the missionary society. Some of these, we know, are providentially hindered, but what of those who are not? They are missing one of the opportunities of their lives as Christian women. It is not for want of knowledge, for month after month the MAGAZINE comes to them, telling them of the wonderful work being done by these societies, and

yet they turn their backs upon their opportunity to help in this work, and receive its blessings.

The report of the MAGAZINE committee, at the last general society, was good and encouraging, considering the hard times, but it was thought that long ere this we would have reached our 5000 subscription mark. We are only 200 short, and by a little energetic work and thoughtfulness on the part of agents and friends of the MAGAZINE, we could go beyond that mark in a short time, and thus widen its field of usefulness.

Many of the benefits to be derived from the general and Presbyterial societies are confined to very narrow limits, simply because those who are privileged to attend them are not careful to spread abroad the influences of these meetings so that all may receive the benefit. In the general, and almost all the presbyterial societies, they have a question box, and we are told in the reports that "the question box was an important part of the program," or that "the questions were answered for the benefit of those seeking information," and that is all. We have asked that these questions and answers be sent to this department, that a larger number may have the benefit, but they do not come, and what shall we think? That those who could comply with our request are thoughtless, or don't care to take the trouble?

It is just the same with all our God given gifts, whether they are material, mental or spiritual, if we fail to bestow, or impart to the right person at the right time.

IN MEMORIAM.

Miss Rachel W. Ferguson.

PHILADELPHIA, May 16th, 1895.

Whereas, God in His all-wise Providence has once more entered our midst and has removed from our number our friend and sister, Miss Rachel W. Ferguson, therefore.

Resolved, That we, the members of the missionary and aid society of the Second United Presbyterian church, of Philadelphia, desire to express our sympathy and to place on record a tribute of respect to her memory. We feel we have lost a cheerful and willing worker, one who was ever ready to help in all our departments of work, always giving her sympathy and aid to those who were afflicted, ever ready to "do what she could" in the Master's name. She has gone to her reward.

Resolved, That we heed the warning that comes to us again—"Be ye also ready"; that we strive to be more faithful to the trust that is committed to us, and, as one after another is taken from our ranks, that we labor more earnestly for the Master.

Resolved, That while we deeply feel our loss we know it is her gain. We bow in submission to Him "who doeth all things well," and we will try to follow her example, doing all we can toward the advancement of Christ's kingdom.

Resolved, That we extend to her sister and brothers our sympathy and commend them to Him who saith "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."

Resolved, That we place on our minutes this memorial, that a copy be sent to the bereaved family, and another to the Women's Magazine for publication.

MARGARET GORDON,
MARY GIBSON,
LIZZIE GEORGE. } Com.

Mrs. Ann Pollock.

Tribute of Love from the W. M. S., of the United Presbyterian Church of Tingley, Iowa, in memory of Mrs. Ann Pollock, who died March 1st, 1895, in the 79th, year of her age.

Whereas, God has called home one of the oldest and most worthy members of our society, the first meeting to organize our society being held at her home.'

Resolved, 1st, That while we greatly miss this dear mother, for she still met with us even when her eyes were so dimmed by age she had to come leaning on the arm of a loving daughter or a kind friend, we cherish her memory, patient in suffering, bright and cheerful in spirit, so humble. She taught us many lessons of faith and love.

2nd, That her Christian life and example may be remembered by us to incite us to greater efforts in the missionary cause. A beautiful testimony to her memory by a lady is, "She gave us the only Bible we have in our home."

3rd, That we commend the dear ones that are left so lonely to Him who says, "I will not leave you comfortless."

4th, That a copy of these resolutions be given to the children of the deceased, one placed on the minutes of the society, and one published in the Women's Missionary Magazine.

MRS. MCCLELLAND,
MRS. SWAIN,
MRS. MORRISON. } Com.

Mrs. C. H. Bond.

We, the Women's Missionary society of the United Presbyterian church of Loveland, Colorado, desire to express our sorrow, and bear testimony to the Christian character of our sister, Mrs. C. H. Bond, whom God called home February 20, 1895.

Resolved, That our society and church have lost by her death a faithful and devoted member, willing at all times to do what she could.

Resolved, That in this bereavement we recognize the will of our Father in heaven, who doeth all things well. We express our heart-felt sympathy to her husband and motherless little daughter and commend them to the Saviour who cares for the sorrowing.

MRS. J. N. GORDON,
MRS. ROB'T ANDERSON,
MRS. J. E. BLAIR. } Com.

Mrs. Sarah McIntire.

The Women's Missionary Society of Peebles" United Presbyterian church, desire to record their testimony to the Christian life and character of Mrs. Sarah McIntire, whose death occurred on May 27, aged 57 years and 12 days. "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His Saints."

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved ones, and tenderly commend them to our Heavenly Father's care, assured that the ever-welcome, "She hath done what she could,' greeted this faithful servant of the Master.

MRS. J. D. PLATTER,
MRS. J. J. BLAIR. } Com.

W. M. S., of Peters Creek, Pa.

The Women's Missionary Society of Peters Creek held their annual Thank-offering meeting, on April 3. The meeting was conducted by the President, Mrs. J. H. McMurray. Papers were read on the subjects, "The first Thank-offering"—and "What is a Thank-offering?" Many earnest prayers were offered, and songs and thanksgiving and praise went up from grateful hearts to the giver of every good and perfect gift." The envelopes contained thirty-eight dollars ($38), which amount has since been swelled to over forty ($40). "Oh! magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together."

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JERSEY CITY, N. J., }
Tuesday, May 14, 1895. }

The Twelfth Annual Convention of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America convened on the evening of May 14, 1895 in the Summit Avenue Church, Jersey City, N. J., Rev. Arney S. Biddle, pastor. The convention was opened with devotional exercises conducted by First Vice President, Mrs. J. J. Andrews of North Kortwright, New York, and included reading of scripture, singing, prayer and a short address. The address of welcome was given by Mrs. Arney S. Biddle, wife of the pastor, whose cordial words gave the delegates and visitors an assurance that they were heartily welcome in Jersey City.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME BY MRS. ARNEY S. BIDDLE.

Madame President, Officers and Delegates of this Convention:

We give you a cordial welcome to our city, church and our homes, and we feel that it is a great honor to have you with us.

We trust this Convention to you, and hope it may be of very great profit.

This time marks a peculiar epoch in your history, and also in ours.

We are soon to pass from childhood into our teens, and this is a very suitable anniversary for our twelfth birthday.

These years mean very much to us; there have been many discouragements but also very much to encourage and we are glad that we can celebrate the twelfth year of our organization under so favorable circumstances.

One year ago when it was my privilege to attend the Convention at Princeton, Ind., I thought how much good it would do to have you with us, but did not think the opportunity would so soon be ours.

When the time was far advanced in the Convention, and the invitations were not forthcoming, in answer to a telegram the convention of 1895 was invited to this church.

You are here in response to our invitation, and we pledge ourselves to do everything in our power to make your stay both pleasant and profitable.

Although our congregation is not wealthy, our building not very large nor beautiful, it is our earnest hope that when we shall have attained to more maturer years, we shall be able to once more welcome you to a more magnificent structure and generous hospitality.

To you who have come to us from the land of the Pharoah's, the land of the pyramids, we heartily welcome you. Your work has been among people who have been under a yoke more rigid than Israel's bondage. You represent the valley of the Nile with its teeming population, thirty congregations, one hundred forty-four (144) mission stations, four thousand (4,000) communicants, six thousand (6,000) Sabbath-School scholars, and eight (8) Women's Missionary Societies.

Yours has been a noble work. How much you have sacrificed and given up is well known to the Master whom you serve, and your reward will be sure.

To you who have come from Punjaub, India with its twenty-two millions of people, three hundred workers,

seven thousand communicants and six thousand Sabbath-School scholars, we bid you welcome.

To our sisters who are workers in the Home Mission field we give a special welcome, for we can enter into all your joys and sorrows. Twelve years ago this church was a Mission congregation with only fourteen members and no building. By your contributions through the Board of Church Extension and Home Missions in three years we were self supporting and were then able to help others.

To our friends and neighbors in this vicinity and adjoining cities we extend a cordial welcome, and I know that you join with us in our welcome to this Convention.

For the benefit of the committee on Place of Meeting I do hope that they will not be puzzled as they were last year, but the invitations will be so numerous that they will have to ask the Convention to settle which place to go.

There is nothing gained but by much labor, and what comes to us without any trouble is not generally appreciated.

Trusting that the Spirit of God may be with you in all your deliberations and that the results of this Convention may be such as shall live throughout the ages in the salvation of many souls and the advancement of our Redeemer's kingdom, we greet you all and bid you God Speed.

This was responded to in behalf of officers and delegates by Mrs. J. J. Andrews. Response in behalf of foreign missionaries by Dr. Maria White formerly of India.

When far away from home land and surrounded by a people of a strange language, it seems at first as if only a wall had sprung up between you and us and if we could lift our voices to a higher key we could hold conversation with you and tell you of all our plans and the pleasures and trials surrounding us. The foreign mail brings us many letters of love and sympathy and we feel that we are not so far away. The first letter has been sent home and two and a half or three months passes before an answer is received and we now realize that the globe lies between us, what may occur and us quite unconscious. The home mail brings with it a black bordered letter and an arrow of pain passes through every heart and almost in a voice the question is asked, who is that for? It is the first selected and handed to the unfortunate recipient, who, with trembling hands breaks the seal. Every eye is turned in sympathy and expectation, but an expression of relief passes over their faces. It is only a business letter from the Board or from the officer of some society asking a letter for their Presbyterial. Only a custom, a token of respect for our own departed and sent to that faraway shore, little thinking how often the receipt of such causes the very arrows of death to pass through our souls. Time passes and the weekly number of letters decrease, we are fading from the minds of our friends. They have found other interests to occupy their time, brothers and sisters though still cherishing a most tender recollection, find it easier to let a day, and then another and another to pass, delaying the letter, so much to us. Father and mother, if there are a father and mother they never forget and if the weekly mail fails to bring their letters no one doubts but they are sick.

Weeks grow into months and years and work presses heavily on us; there is much cause for thankfulness and many trials and difficulties to meet, and as the heart craves for human sympathy we naturally turn our eyes homeward and long for just one more hand clasp, one more of the heart felt,

God speed you, that followed us on our way, and when we are once more among you, listening to your kindly greeting and the assurance that we have been borne on your hearts throughout these years, is it any wonder our hearts respond with joy and gladness?

But I would not have you think that our lives are spent in sadness or whatever we meet that we ever turn our eyes homeward. No, daily the prayer of thanksgiving ascends to the throne of God that we have been counted worthy to work in these foreign fields, to bear whatever trial we may meet and even to suffer for the sake of Christ, and when we contrast our condition with that of the people around and about us, when we hear their lives of suffering and degradation and mark their appreciation when they begin to realize the sacrifices we have made, and to understand the lives of those who have given up all to tell them of the blessed home beyond the skies and how they too may gain admission and release from the cruelties they must bear in this world and the dreadful unknown of the world to come, we rejoice that we are the chosen messengers of God. As missionaries we shrink from shocking you with a recital of the horrors of the Mohammedan and heathen world but since my return to America I have been often surprised at how little is really known of their actual condition. The Mohammedan religion is corrupt to the core and no tongue can describe the corruption and immorality of the heathen as taught by their sacred books. There is nothing in their religion to take the place of repentance; no public opinion molded by Christians to condemn sin and wrong, nothing but sin and shame every where. The natural increase of the heathen world is out-stripping our every effort. It has been estimated that only four millions have been baptized in the last century while the natural increase has been two hundred million. It has also been estimated that there are eight hundred million on our earth who have never heard the name of Jesus and ten hundred and thirty million who are not in the least Christianized. Of them thirty-five million die annually without Christ and without hope. A justly mournful procession going down to eternal death with only a fearful looking for of firey indignation from some source they know not where, or everlasting rebirth into some animal, tree, insect, reptile or perhaps an aimless wandering in space throughout eternity, unable to find rest anywhere. I have stood by these Christless death beds as the immortal soul took its flight into eternal darkness. No look of joy or sweet farewell. No looking forward to a glorious reunion. Like beasts they die. There is nothing in their religion to sweeten life or elevate the human family. It degrades woman with an infinite degradation, dwarfs her intellect, so that women of twenty and thirty are as children of eight or ten, while it stimulates and developes the worst passions of the human nature, so that I have been begged and offered money if I would take away the life of some of the objects of their hatred. Parallel to this is a degradation among men, oppression, tortures, brutal punishment, official corruption. The disregard of home and all its sacred bonds. In driving through the streets of Sialkot my attention was attracted to a crowd surrounding two men beating an old woman, rushing into their midst I ordered them to stop, telling them they should be arrested and punished, they only answer, "It is our mother and our right." Shall I tell you of the jealousies of husbands, the inhuman treatment of wives, the fractured limbs, ribs and skulls, the bruised and bleeding bodies often too terrible to describe. A husband tires

of his wife and desires another. If a Hindoo on account of religious regulations, if she has been true to him another cannot be taken for eight years, and if sons have been born none other can fill her place. He charges her with having been false to him, cuts off her nose as a testimony against her and drives her from his home to a life of sin and shame. Where there is sin there is also sorrow and sickness. Sickness, what does that word mean? To us it means increased tenderness, the hushed foot fall, skilled doctors and nurses, the ministry of christian friends and God's ministers, the reading of God's word, the voice of prayer, and by the bed side of him who has never accepted Christ stands He who is able to save to the uttermost, ready and willing even in the dying hour to cleanse and receive the parting soul, while to the christian the hour of death is but the hour of his triumph, and with a joy born of that pure and holy love to God they can exclaim, "O death where in thy sting, O grave where is thy victory," "Thanks be to God who has given us the victory through our Lord and Saviour." What is sickness to our poor heathen brother and sister, supposed to be suffering from evil spirits. The worst, darkest, dirtiest room of the house, subjected to burning from hot irons, and forced to inhale the fumes of charcoal, to expell the evil spirit, and deprived of food and water for days. This is only a glimpse into the horrors of the heathen world. Much that my eyes have seen my lips dare not utter, too horrible to be repeated.

A few questions present themselves to us to-night and call to be answered, are we doing all we can for heathen people? If we were treated as the heathen are we would have but three hundred christian workers to all America, we would have but one hundred doctors to the population of the United States and nine tenths of these would be permitted to treat only men. We need lady doctors in the field, and we need ordained missionaries and lady Zenana workers, and if there are any here tonight who have not decided on their life work, let me ask you to come with us. A life consecrated to the Master's service in the foreign field is one of the sweetest, the happiest, men and women live. It is true it involves the sacrifice of advancement in your worldly profession, or ability to acquire worldly means, separation from home and dear ones, and trials and difficulties on a foreign field, but when the battle is over and we have laid our armor down, think you there will be one regret for the abandonment of worldly prizes.

Response in behalf of Home Missionaries by Miss Lyde A. McCool of Topeka, Kansas.

In behalf of the Home Missionaries, dear sister, I most sincerely thank you for your words of welcome. As we listened, how "our hearts burned within us" at the thought of all we are to receive and enjoy during our short stay in your city." We believe our highest expectations will be more than realized.

This "Jersey City" is no doubt well supplied with "the milk of human kindness" but we imagine that the delegation to the convention will be treated to the cream, pure, rich and unadulterated.

The very word "welcome" carries cheer with it. Coming from those whom we know are sincere in its utterance, it brings special joy for we recognize it as the spontaneous overflow of hearts filled with love and good will, receiving and welcoming us, because they are glad we are here.

We have come hither, with the hope of receiving help, "A refreshing from the Lord."

As we stand upon the threshold of another year, we feel the need of greater zeal, more sublime faith, more earnest consecration in the service of our Master. We hope to have these Christian graces strengthened, and warmed into a brighter flame, by coming in contact with others who have also buckled on the armor and gone forth into the world, to battle with the powers of evil.

The "magnet of the cross" has drawn us here, from near and from far, and the great desire for the further promulgation of the gospel of Him who hung thereon, should be, and we believe will be, the chief thought in all proceedings during this convention. If so, we shall go from this place feeling, "It was good for us to be here."

I have come from one of our western states, where it is said, "the sun shines three hundred and sixty days in the year." Yet the darkness of sin, with all its baleful influence broods over the land. The trail of the serpent is found everywhere, and its visible marks are even in the state of Kansas. But a brighter day seems dawning, for "when woman wills, she will," and when "the day star" of her faith has risen to its zenith,she will go forth, clad in the armor of her virtue and true womanhood, wielding the sword of the ballot, and then will her powers be felt as never before, in church and in state, as well as in the home.

Women are now being recognized, all over our land, as important factors in planting the banner of Christ's kingdom, and proclaiming "the good news and glad tidings of salvation." Not alone in the capacity as man's helpmeet, does she hold the position of "Home Missionary," but many a dear sister, who has no man to help, has given herself to the work of speading the gospel; not only in foreign lands, but also in our own fair land.

When Mary poured the alabaster box of precious ointment upon the head of her dear Lord, she was actuated by the spirit of love; so also has the Home Missionary, constrained by the same spirit, poured forth that which is as precious as oil of spikenard, she has brought her all, love, time, strength and talent, and kneeling at her Saviour's feet, bids Him use them in His service. And tonight, when we few favored ones are allowed the blessed privilege of being present at this gathering of women workers, she may be threading her way through some dark alley to carry comfort and light and joy to some poor lonely one, sitting in the gloom of ignorance and sin. Or she may be watching at the bedside of a wayward wanderer, nearing the "valley of the shadow of death."

Although she can not be present here with us in this convention, yet, I know she greets you all from afar, and like the Indian woman, who, on a similar occasion, was called upon to respond to an address of welcome through her interpreter, said, "I shake hands with you all in my heart."

But when time with us shall be no more, and we are called to meet in that great convention in the New Jerusalem where "our eyes shall behold Him, and not another," may we each one be able to respond to His "welcome" in these words, "We have counted it all joy, not duty, to tell of Thy beauty."

A greeting from the Women's Board prepared by the President Mrs. Annie R. Herron, was read by the Secretary.

Dear friends:—Your President very kindly invited the Women's Board to share the exercises of this opening meeting of our convention. It gives me great pleasure in representing the members of the Board to acknowledge

the courtesy extended to us and to present to the ladies of Jersey City our greetings and sincere thanks for the cordial invitation and generous hospitality which has made it possible to hold our twelfth annual meeting in your city. We meet as strangers, but our mutual faith in one God and Father of all and one Saviour unites us in one common cause, the advancement of Christ's kingdom. We are not unmindful of the many days of anxious care and thought you have given in preparation for our coming but we hope that the busiest women will now have leisure to enjoy the meeting and catch the spirit of our work.

Also we desire to express to the delegates and other friends who are present our gratification at being able to meet representatives from so many of our missionary societies.

I come to you tonight with no flattering words of praise or commendation for the good work you are doing. The time is past when it is thought strange or singular for women to be actively engaged in works of philanthropy or Christian beneficence. Her right to be interested and assist in whatever is designed to benefit our race is now unquestioned. But allow me to take advantage of this opportunity to thank, through the members of this convention, the ladies of our church, for the unfailing kindness and charity they have manifested to the Women's Board. There may have been mistakes, differences of opinion and disappointments but the business of the society has never been neglected and the work undertaken always loyally sustained.

In each department the work is growing and the secretaries watch with anxious hearts, fearing that the great pressure brought to bear from every field and the urgent pleas for help may constrain them to recommend more work than your contributions warrant.

There is nothing sadder in the history of the church than the unavailing pleading from year to year for funds to maintain the authorized mission work; telling as it does the sorrowful story of unaccomplished purposes, disappointed hopes, unappreciated labor and hopeless endeavor. May your Board never be compelled to join in the same disheartening refrain.

As the plans and schemes for enlarged work are brought to your attention by the reports of the different secretaries give earnest and serious consideration to their import, weigh well their meaning lest haply some may mock and say, "these women began to build and were not able to finish." Carry with you to your societies the message of increasing responsibility and greater self denial, for self denial few of us in its fullness and perfection practice.

Yet, after all it is not what is said or done at these meetings, interesting and profitable as they are, that will give the best service to our Heavenly Father. It is the individual life of each one during the days, weeks and months of the year, the manner in which we perform the innumerable little duties of our daily life, the influence we exert in our circle of friends, in giving "the best we have to the best we know," that will make the world the better for our coming.

We meet this evening from many different localities, putting aside for a while our private plans, pleasures and pursuits to devote a day or two to friendly conference over the missionary work which has engaged our attention during the years of our organization. Our journey here has seemed like a pleasant vision. Every hill and valley carpeted with softest green. The hidden life of nature bursting forth in leaf and flower and the air filled with the fragrance of blossoming trees. May something that is akin to all this

joy and beauty and gladness abide with us during our intercourse, inspiring us to kindly thoughts and deeds and make this twelfth anniversary a lovely memory on which our thoughts in days to come will delight to linger.

ANNIE R. HERRON.

Mrs. Andrews then introduced Mrs. W. W. Barr, of Philadelphia, Pa., President of the Convention who gave the address of the evening, entitled, "Woman under the Gospel."

The fact that the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian church meets annually in convention, has suggested to me the theme which I wish you, my dear sisters, to consider with me for a little while this evening.

My theme is "WOMAN UNDER THE GOSPEL" or "WOMAN IN THIS CHRISTIAN DISPENSATION."

The assembly or this convention has suggested the subject, because the gospel has made such a convention, with all the work by women that is represented here, a possibility.

In no heathen land would an assembly of women for any worthy purpose be thought of—indeed it would not even be a dream in heathenism.

We hear much in our day about the "New Woman." It ought to be admitted that much is said on this subject, and even by women themselves, that is flippant, false and without regard to the teaching of scripture. While this is admitted, and should lead to chastened thought on the subject, it is yet true that in a good and true and scriptural sense this is the *era* of the new woman. She has in these years been brought into prominence, such as she never attained to since the foundation of the world. The providence of God in spreading the gospel, and His spirit causing its influences to be felt, and acknowledged, have caused us to see what we do today, in the uplifting and promoting of woman. Woman should not be slow to recognize this, and she should be ready for whatever her Lord calls her to do. The fair Queen of the Orient, came to the kingdom for the work that God laid before her.

The fairer, because christian queens of this day should continually seek to understand what the Lord is calling them to do, and consecrate themselves to that work. God has brought them to the kingdom for this day and their work in it. *All must be attributed to the Gospel.*

It should not be a surprise to us that woman has reached her present measure of prominence. The matter of wonder really is that she did not attain to it centuries ago in this gospel dispensation. Why she did not do so need not here be discussed.

What we do need to have continually impressed upon our minds, is that to the gospel alone she owes her enfranchisment and elevation. "What has she been?" asks Dr. Pierson "everywhere and in every country independent of the influence of Christianity?" His reply is "the slave, the tool, the victim of man." The laws of the cultivated Greeks, regarded woman as a child, and held her always in tutelage.

Aristotle, the foremost of the Greek philosophers called her a "monster" and "an accidental production"

Even the Jewish Talmud says, "Dr. Pierson abounds in insulting references to the female sex, and classes women with slaves and idiots. Whoever will read such works as Women in Persia by Laurie, or Women in India by Rudolph, or the Women of the Arabs by Jessup, can see what woman is and always has been, independent of the uplifting power of the religion of Christ."

IN OLD TESTAMENT TIMES.

I have said that we ought not to be surprised at witnessing the elevation of woman under the gospel. This was indicated from the first. It is in its nature and design. The first promise given to the mother of us all, was full of coming blessings for the race, for male and female alike. It is true that when the curse was pronounced upon the first pair, it fell most heavily in some respects upon the woman because she was first in the transgression. Her desire was to be to her husband, and he was to rule over her. That this was not a description of what ought to be, but a prophesy of the curse that should be. Its fulfillment is seen in the enslavement and degradation of woman by man all through the ages. But that curse was, as was the curse in every other respect, to be mitigated and ultimately removed by the fulfillment of the first promise, or in other words by the gospel. Hence what we are seeing in this day. There were other foreshadowings and predictions in the Old Testament times of better things to come for women. In Miriam, Sarah, Ruth, Hannah, Deborah and others, there was someting of the lifting of the curse, and the elevating and honoring of these noble women. These exceptional instances foreshadow what would be very general in better days. The revised reading of Psalm 78:11, gives us the wonderful prediction, "The Lord giveth the word; the women that publish the tidings are a great host," and scarcely less wonderful are the predictions in other Psalms and the evangelical prophet Isaiah. By the prophet Joel, Jehovah (Jesus) said "It shall come to pass afterwards that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh, and your daughters shall prophesy." That prophesy, we know began to be specially fulfilled in the day of Pentecost. Christian daughters "prophesied" from that day forward, and they are doing it more now than ever.

IN NEW TESTAMENT TIMES.

When the "fulness of time" came and the approaching incarnation was announced, Elizabeth addressing the Virgin Mary said to her, "Blessed art thou among women," not above them to be deified and worshipped, but more honored and happy than any of her sex. Mary became the mother of Jesus and by that the womanly nature not only of herself, but also of her sex had dignity put upon it such as it had never approached.

That divine Son, was trained, we have reason to believe, most largely by his mother, and it was the greatest honor that was ever conferred upon woman in the home. This was a type and prophecy of what other christian mothers should be, and should do in the home—of what all christian mothers should be and do there.

When Jesus entered upon His public ministry, and through most of it He enjoyed the ministration of devoted women. This was what no other public teacher had ever done and when He died and arose again, women were last at the cross, and first at the sepulchre.

A better day was coming for woman, and it soon came. Before the day of Pentecost women waited in prayer with men, for the "promise of the Father," and it was in answer to their prayers as well as to those of men, that the Holy Spirit was poured out and Pentecost came. They as well as men began "to speak with other tongues." And now from that time forward through Apostolic times, we see women more and more engaged in gospel work. Paul sends greeting to many of them who were special helpers to him —as laboring with him in the gospel, as laboring *much* with him.

From this promising beginning under the gospel, we would naturally have expected that women generally would have speedily enjoyed the blessings intended for them in redemption —or as the Apostle expresses it "by the child bearing," and that the curse of man's rule over her would have disappeared. For this however in the wonderful providence of God, we have had to wait. The process of woman's advancement even under the gospel has been slow, but it has come, never to such an extent as in this century of missions, never as in the day in which we dear sisters are now living and acting.

WHAT ARE OUR DUTIES.

In view of the positions in which we find ourselves this evening, we may well inquire what are our special duties as christian women? What sphere are we specially to fill? What work are we specially to do? If we have come to the kingdom for this time it must be that grave responsibilities devolve upon us. It must not be overlooked that the forward position assigned in the providence of God to women in our day has some perils, as well as many grand opportunities. Some forward spirits of our sex are running to extremes, virtually or plainly denying the teachings of scripture in regard to women. These in some instances have become the greatest injurers of their sex, and we may not imitate or follow them. A few principles kept in view will, if carefully observed and practiced, hold us steady, shield us from danger, and plainly mark out our work.

1. *That the christian womans first place is in the home.* There as wife and mother, and in unison with her husband, as the educator of her children, she must always do her best work.

The great New England philosopher asked many years ago, "What is civilization?" I answer "the power of good women." I should rather say, "the power of good christian mothers." When Matthew Vassar gave a million dollars to found Vassar College, he said, "I consider that the mothers of a country mold its citizens, determine its institutions and shape its destiny." "Without doubt he was right" says Sarah Knowles Bolton in her preface to "Famous Types of Womanhood"

Napoleon said "France is lost for want of mothers," and the history of France in his day, and subsequently, showed how true was his declaration.

Ruskin has some where said: "What do you think the beautiful word "wife" comes from? It is the great word in which the English and Latin languages conquered the French and Greek. I hope the French will some day get a word for it instead of *femme.* But what do you think it comes from? The great value of the Saxon words is that they mean something. Wife means "weaver." You must either be house-wives or house-moths. In the deep sense, you must either weave men's fortunes, and embroider them, or feed upon and bring them to decay. Wherever a true wife comes, home is always around her. The stars may be over her head, the glow-worm in the night's cold grass be the fire at her feet, but home is where she is, and for a noble woman it stretches far around her, better than houses ceiled with cedar or painted with vermillion—shedding the quiet light for those who else are homeless. This, I believe, is the woman's true place and power.

Dr. Timothy Dwight, is quoted as having said:—"My answer to the question, 'How was I educated?' ends where it began. 'I had the right mother.'"

Dr. Parkhurst is somewhat extreme in his views of the true mission of women, but we can bear with him while he says: "Whatever certain adventurous women may think about it, it is

sufficiently clear that nature has certain pretty decided opinions of its own on the matter, and that nature has so wrought its opinions into the tissue of woman's physical constitution and function that any feminine attempt to mutiny against wifehood, motherhood and domestic "limitations" is a hopeless and rather imbecile attempt to escape the inevitable."

We sometimes complain of men, not being what they ought to be, Dr. Parkhurst pungently reminds those women, who make complaint that men are very much disposed to neglect their civic obligations. "I do not want to be ungallant, but venture to remind them that each one of these wicked and unfaithful men was born of a woman, and that if his mother had been a better and more faithful mother, the probability is that he would have been a better man and more faithful citizen."

Let us be fully convinced then that woman's primary and most important sphere, is in the home, and that any teaching that leads to a different conclusion is a "falacy and may be a heresy." That women may not enter the marriage relation in exceptional cases we do not deny. That young women may like Paul, for the gospels sake, devote themselves to a celebate life is admitted; but to make these any more than justifiable exceptional cases is, I firmly believe both contrary to nature and the word of God.

To create and foster the impression that young women generally should enter upon lines of work that will make them independent of men, and lead them to escape from the responsibilities of wifehood and motherhood is condemned by the laws of their nature, and by written revelations, and is virtually to teach the destruction of the home, and consequently of civil society and of the church itself.

2. *We must keep constantly in mind woman's true relation to man.* The divine ideal in the creation was not man alone—it was a man and woman. The pair was a unit, the man having the precedence but not necessarily superiority. The Creator called the pair man, and regarded the two as constituting a perfect whole. The woman was declared to be a "help-meet" for man—not a help-mate—or more exactly his complement, the two making a perfect whole.

Any attempt to make a man out of woman, or to put woman exactly into man's place, or into man's proper work, may be characterized as reform, but is reform against the divine constitution, against nature and divine revelation. Because this has been attempted by some men and more women, the effort has been satirized as "an attempt to make trumpets out of flutes, and sunflowers out of violets."

Shall we bear with Dr. Parkhurst once more while he says "It is well enough for women to say that she wishes she was a man; but she is not, and till she is, she might as well succomb to the fact that God and nature had very different intentions for her, from what he had for her brothers, and that He recorded His intentions in a way that He has taken some pains to prevent her being able to forget."

With these principles before us, it ought not to be difficult to determine with a good degree of accuracy the christian woman's sphere and work. The complement of man, she is his equal. The sphere of the complementory parts cannot be the same. In that case there would be no *complement.* The complementory parts are absolutely necessary the one to the other. This is true of husband and wife, and it is equally true of all work of men and women. "The man is not without the woman, neither is the woman without the man." As complement there may be some work that each can do equally well; but it must

be plain that there is work that the one can do better than the other, and there must be other work that the one cannot do at all, and that the other only can do. This is according to the divine construction, and it is we believe the doctrine of scripture.

In the practical application of these principles, it may be said in general that woman being pre-eminently above man in her sentimental emotions, and religious nature, her work will be along lines of activity which specially calls for the exercise of these womanly characteristics. But if we will keep it ever in mind that we are complementory to men, and that our special work is complementory to theirs, we will not have difficulty in knowing what our special work is.

Where there is work to be done that we can do equally well with men, that does not violate our constitution, work that we can do better than men, or work that we can alone can do, plainly in that work we find our sphere. If there is work to be done that men are not doing, and we can do that work, we should feel that it is laid to our hands to do it. The law of the Saviour's kingdom in spiritual things is "Gather up the fragments that nothing be lost."

We need not fear that our sphere or work will thus be contracted. It will be equally as wide as that of men. Oh how much work there is that we can do that men can not accomplish! What ministries of womanly tenderness are laid out before us in our homes, congregations, communities, and in our country! When we turn our thoughts to the heathen world, what a work is given us especially as women to do in gathering funds to send forth the gospel. Then think of the foreign mission fields themselves, and of the condition of women in them, which condition we alone can for the time being hope to change by the gospel. There are probably 400,000,000 of heathen homes to-day, into which no male missionary can enter. Contracted sphere for women indeed!

3. *We need constant dependence upon the guidance and aid of the Holy Spirit.* If we have this all else will be right. Taught and guided by the spirit, we will know our sphere, and our work, and we will have the blessing of God in filling that sphere, and in doing that work. We as women have the promise of the spirit. It was prophesied that He would be poured out on us, as well as upon men. With Him there is neither male nor female. Women prayed for His coming and power before the day of Pentecost, and He came in answer to their prayers united with those of men.

Dear sisters pray for the Holy Spirit, for guidance, for aid for the wonderful service to which you are in this day called. "Ask and ye shall receive"—"If ye then being evil know how to give good gifts unto your children (who knows this as well as a mother) how much more will your Heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them who ask Him"—to women, too, who ask Him. The need of the Holy Spirit is felt everywhere today perhaps as never before in the history of the church. None need Him more than do women for the work, the service to which God is manifestly calling us. May there be much prayer for this in this convention. May the Holy Spirit be with us in His power, and with this light kindly leading us we will go back to our fields, with our faces illumined, there to do better work for the Master than we have ever done.

Let love for Christ be our supreme motive.

In Charlotta Perry's beautiful poem on "The work that is best" she tells us of a great Cathedral which stood centuries ago in a famed city across the sea, as a witness to the beauty art

had wrested from marble, bronze and wood. Very touchingly she pictures an aged and feeble man coming to the Master Architect, and asking that of the work so sweet and sacred some *humble portion* might be granted him. Fearing that he might mar the fair design, the master assigned him some work under the shadow of the high vaulted roof. Here he patiently wrought day after day, winning scant praise from his trusted fellow workmen, until one morning he was found cold in death. But he had sculptured a face of such transcendent and utter loveliness, that those who saw it, deemed they had looked upon a heavenly vision, and held their breath for awe. It was the face of the one woman he had loved and lost in early manhood.

As the artists and sculptors gazed on the beauty so strangely carved there, "Grandest of all!" they cried and then they whispered:

"Who works for *fame or gold doth sometime miss:*
Unheeding praise or blame or shadowed silence,
Love hath wrought this!
"'Grandest of All!" they cried,
Before whose perfect Ideal beauty
All our boastings cease.
Hail to the *love* that thus for *love's* sake only
Hath wrought Arts masterpiece!"

So, dear sisters, in the temple of God, which is being built and adorned on the earth by human instrumentality, it will be found that all the noble work which has been done therein has had for its motive LOVE TO CHRIST THAT SACRIFICES SELF.

The delegate roll was called and the evening service closed with the benediction pronounced by Dr. Arney S. Biddle. The social hour then followed when the officers and delegates greeted old friends and formed pleasant new acquaintances.

Greetings were received from the sisters of the Presbyteries of Sialkot, India; Le Claire, Iowa and Los Angelos, California.

To the Women's General Missionary Society:

The sisters in India who are now assembled in Presbyterial Meeting at Pasrur, send greetings and ask you to read Isaiah 9:2, "The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light; they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined."

To the Women's General Missionary Society that meets in Jersey City the Le Claire Presbyterial sendeth greetings.

The Seventy who represent our membership do not consider it wise to levy a tax sufficient to send a delegate such a distance, but our hearts are with you, our prayers are yours and our contributions as God gives us the means will be forthcoming to forward the cause of Christ as you may direct.

May the Father, by the Spirit, for the sake of His Son, wisely guide you in all your deliberations and conclusions.

MRS. MATTIE CARSON,
Secretary.

Lordsburg, California, May 8, 1895.

To the Secretary of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North Ameaica.

Dear Sister:

Kindly convey to the Twelfth Annual Convention of our sisters, this greeting of the Los Angelos Presbyterial Society, and their earnest prayer for the presence and influence of the Holy Spirit in your meeting. I regret exceedingly that ill-health prevents my attendance as a delegate this year, but it gives me pleasure to report for the society, as follows:

Los Angelos Presbyterial Society reports six societies with an enrollment of 105 members.

The Junior Societies and a Cradle Band report 48 members.

These societies and bands have contributed $279.50 during the year. Only $40.00 of this amount was applied to congregation and district work.

A thank-offering of $128.00 is presented this year.

Two new societies were organized this year, the Second Los Angelos and the Grand Avenue of Wildomar.

Thirty-five magazines are taken.

The annual meeting, which is held on the last Wednesday of March, was well attended and filled with the Spirit from Invocation to Benediction.

The work among the Chinese, undertaken by some consecrated women, in the First United Presbyterian Church, deserves special mention and should have the prayers of the Convention. The wonderful interest and self-denial of the pupils is an inspiration and reward to these devoted women who are engaged in a field of work at once Home and Foreign.

In October 1894, the few United Presbyterians in Pomona met for services which continued until the condition of Dr. Gordon's throat caused us to suspend the work.

We hope to be able to resume our services and effect an organization, should the committee of Home Missions think it advisable. Should we do so we hope to report a Women's Missionary Society at Pomona before 1896.

I enclose a little gift of eighteen dollars ($18.00) to the Women's General Missionary Society through the Treasurer of the Board of Directors. It is a contribution given by the little congregation of Pomona shortly before the death of my dear father, and included in this is the last gift he ever made to the work of Missions. As he always took an especial interest in the women's work for women and prayed for it daily with especial entreaty, we have sent this amount, consecrated alike by memory and prayer to you. Please apply it to the most needy field.

As a society we are full of faith and energy and hope for the new year, and we are sure that as this voice from the shore of the Pacific, reaches you our Atlantic sisters, we will unite our hearts and hands in prayer and work for the coming year, with a perfect assurance of God's richest blessing on us all.

With the kindest wishes for a "magnificent" meeting, and my prayers for the convention, and the hope that as a society and societies we may all grow and prosper, I am

Most sincerely and cordially yours,

MRS. ELIZABETH YOUNG GORDON.

Wednesday May, 15, 9 A. M.

Meeting was opened with devotional exercises conducted by Mrs. R. A. Evans, Pitzer, Iowa. The President then submitted the program prepared for the convention, which was on motion adopted as the line of proceeding.

The President appointed the following committees.

NOMINATIONS.

Mrs. M. J. Steele, Allegheny,
Miss Martha Shaw, Westmoreland.
Mrs. Donnan Livingston, Xenia,
" Dr. Williamson, Omaha,
" D. G. McKay, Argyle,

PLACE.

Mrs. S. H. Jackson, Philadelphia.
" Jennie Deutrick, Illinois,
Miss Lyde A. McCool, Kansas City,
Mrs. Marshall, Chicago.

RESOLUTIONS.

Mrs. Eva Welch, Keokuk,
" J. H. Braden, Butler,
" J. A. Gordon, Los Angelos,
" S. A. Creagh, Allegheny,
Miss Kate Corbett, Conemaugh.

TELLERS.

Mrs. Jean S. Sands, Monongehela,
Miss Sallie Stewart, 1st Ohio,
" Margaret Oliver, Monmouth,
" Lizzie McClain, Beaver Valley,
" Jennie Kennedy, Cedar Rapids,

PETITIONS.

Mrs. Metta Magill, Big Spring,
Miss Anna F. Given, Brookville,
Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter, Allegheny,
" Ella M. Kerr, Sidney,

THANK OFFERING.

Miss E. J. Sloan,
Mrs. Lillian Cowden,
Miss Clara Kyle.

CREDENTIALS.

Miss E. D. Brown, Monongahela,
Mrs. A. P. Burchfield, Monongahela,

A committee of nine to confer with the Magazine Committee in regard to magazine business was announced as follows:

Mrs. W. D. Elliott, Mercer,
" Annie R. Herron, Monongahela,
" H. C. Campbell, Allegheny
" Mary Clokey Porter, Allegheny,
" H. C. Dean, Xenia,
" Mrs. A. M. Campbell, Princeton.
" Frank Getty Philadelphia,
" Leslie, Butler.
J. C. Elliott Southern Ill.

The report of the Secretary of the Women's General Missionary Society was read by the Secretary, Mrs. M. W. Porter, and on motion adopted with the exception of the two invitations reported which were referred to a committee for action.

The report of the Treasurer of the Women's General Missionary Society was read by the Treasurer Miss E. J. Sloan. On motion adopted.

The report of the Secretary of the Women's Board was read and adopted. Mrs. J. S. Stewart moved and it was carried that reports be referred to a committee. By consent the motion was withdrawn.

The report of the Treasurer of Women's Board was read and adopted.

Chairman of Committee on Training School offered an apology for delay in securing the report; on motion apology was accepted, and the report to be given later when received. Chairman of Committee on "Book of Instruction" reported that the book was not yet finished and as it is made up principally of questions, it is still open for contributions; report accepted.

No. 149 of Bible Songs was sung by the audience.

Miss Corbett moved and it was carried that Mrs. Dr. Wm. Stewart who is present be asked to sit as a consultative member of the committee.

Mrs. W. J. Reid moved and it was carried that members of Presbyterial societieties who are present be allowed to sit as consultative members.

Mrs. J. S. Sands moved and it was carried that women who are members of other denominations be invited to sit as consultative members of this convention.

The report of Secretary of Foreign work was read by the Secretary, Mrs. W. J. Reid; on motion adpted.

Many questions were asked by the delegates and were aswered by the Secretary and Dr. Maria White of India. Church Extension and Parsonage Fund Secretary, Mrs. T. S. Stewart presented her report and made a plea for more interest to be taken in this department; on motion report adopted.

Secretary of Literature Committee, Mrs. Annie R. Herron, presented the report. Many kind remarks were made of this work and testimony was given of the advice and comfort to be found in the leaflets and tracts distributed by this department. Report adopted with thanks.

Thank-offering Secretary, Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter, offered the report of this department of work. Much interest was manifested and questions were asked by the delegates and answered by the Secretary.

The meeting adjourned by Dr. H. Wallace pronouncing the benediction.

Mrs. Biddle invited the officers and delegates to lunch which was served in an adjoining house.

Wednesday, May 15th, 1.45 P. M.

Meeting opened with devotional exercises by Miss N. W. Love of Wheeling and included reading of scripture and singing. Prayers were offered by several of the ladies. The report of Junior missionary work was presented by the secretary of Junior work, Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson, who gave the report with the recommendations.

This report being the first of the new secretary, was listened to with marked attention, many persons taking part in the discussion which followed the reading, in order to allow full expression of opinion in regard to this report it was on motion decided to extend the time for discussion ten minutes.

Home Mission Secretary, Mrs. H. C. Campbell, presented the report of the work of this department and explained thoroughly the methods employed in Home Mission work, Miss McCool, Home Missionary of Topeka, Kansas, also spoke on the report and endorsed the secretary's remarks.

The report of Women's Association work written by Mrs. W. C. Hodge was read by Miss Emma Mabon of Allegheny, this report includes the annual reports of the three institutions under the care of the association, Orphans' Home, Memorial Hospital and Aged People's Home, on motion report adopted.

A paper written by Mrs. Dr. Saml. Wilson of Xenia, Ohio, entitled "The Origin and Meaning of the name Christian" was read by Mrs. Dr. A. M. Campbell of Princeton.

The Question box was in charge of Mrs. Jean S. Sands, the questions were of a practical character all bearing directly on the methods and work of the church and society. The question regarding the salaries of the secretaries of the Women's Board was again asked and this time was settled to the satisfaction, we hope, of the Convention, one of the secretaries saying that "her salary would not buy her shoe strings."

The R. R. Secretary asked that all persons holding R. R. certificates present them at once, in order that the necessary number of 100 may be secured as early as possible. Mrs. H. C. Campbell presented the amendments to the by-laws per notice given at Princeton Convention one year ago. Chairman read the by-laws of the charter and amendments proposed.

The amendments to the by-laws as proposed at the Princeton Convention of 1894 were presented by the Chairman Mrs. H. C. Campbell who read the by-laws with amendments proposed.

ARTICLE I.

CORPORATE MEETINGS.

The annual meeting of the corporation shall be held in the city of Pittsburg, county of Allegheny, and state of Pennsylvania, on the fourth Friday of the month of May, at such hour and place as the Board of Directors may appoint, for the election of Directors and other officers and agents, and the transaction of the business of the corporation. No person shall be entitled to a voice or vote at such annual meeting except the delegates chosen by the several Presbyterial Missionary Societies of the United Presbyterian Church of North America to attend the General Convention of said Presbyterial Societies. Ten delegates shall constitute a quorum.

1st. Members of Convention only are eligible to office.

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2. Persons elected to office must signify their acceptance of the same be-

fore the annual meeting of the corporation on the third Friday of May following.

Adopted.

3. All vacancies occurring after the third Friday of May each year shall be filled by the Board of Directors.

Adopted.

Mrs. H. C. Campbell proposed an amendment to amendment 3, That the Fourth Friday of May be inserted instead of the Third Friday of May.

Adopted.

ARTICLE II.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

1. Each Director must be a member of a Presbyterial Society. The Board shall organize at the first stated meeting by electing by ballot the following officers from their own number, viz., a President, two Vice-Presidents, Recording Secretary, three or more Corresponding Secretaries, Treasurer, and such other officers as shall, from time to time, be necessary to promote the interests of the work.

2. The Board shall take charge of all the work of the corporation, devise ways and means for carrying on that work, give aid to all the various departments of the mission work undertaken by the other Boards of the church in sending out foreign missionaries, supporting native helpers, bible women and children in schools, and supporting missionaries and teachers in the home field, and for this purpose it shall receive and disburse all moneys which shall be placed in its charge by auxiliary societies.

3. The Board shall hold its stated meetings the first Tuesday of each month at such time and place as it shall appoint. Eight members shall constitute a quorum.

4. The President shall preside at all the meetings of the Board, appoint all committees and perform such other duties as belong to her office. She shall call special meetings at the request of three Directors, and be *ex-officio* a member of all committees.

5. The senior Vice President, in the absence of the President, shall perform all the duties of her office.

6. Recording Secretary shall be sworn and shall record all the votes of the corporation and of the Board of Directors, and the minutes of the other transactions. She shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Board, send out all blanks and papers and prepare an annual report to be presented to the General Missionary Society and to the General Assembly.

7. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretaries to conduct any official correspondence with the other Boards of the church; also all the correspondence with the other Boards of the church; also, all the correspondence with missionaries, native helpers, bible women, teachers and others supported by the corporation. They shall prepare annual reports of all work undertaken by the Board to be presented to the General Missionary Society and the General Assembly.

8. The Treasurer shall give bond to the amount of five thousand dollars ($5,000). She shall keep all money of the corporation in a separate account to her credit as Treasurer, and shall disburse it as the Board of Directors shall order. She shall report the state of the treasury at each regular meeting, and close her books on April 15th of each year. Her annual report endorsed by the Auditing Committee, shall be presented to the General Missionary Society and the General Assembly.

9. There shall be an Executive Committee composed of the officers and two Directors, who shall have power to transact any business that may require attention in the intervals between the stated meetings of the board.

10. A failure of any Director to be

present at three regular consecutive meetings of the Board without excuse shall be considered a resignation; and action taken accordingly.

11. The Board of Directors shall have power to fill all vacancies occurring in the Board during the year.

ARTICLE III.

MISSIONARY SOCIETIES AND GENERAL CONVENTION.

1. For the furtherance of the objects and purposes of this corporation the Board of Directors shall approve and encourage the organization of Missionary Societies, both Congregational and Presbyterial, throughout the entire church, and shall provide for a General Convention of the said Presbyterial societies. The delegates from the Presbyterial societies shall be in the following proportion: each Presbyterial society shall be entitled to two delegates; each Presbyterial society consisting of more than five Congregational societies shall be entitled to one additional delegate for every additional five Congregational societies.

2. The object in the establishment and convention of such societies, and the delegates thereof, shall be for the purpose of receiving the annual reports of the Secretaries and Treasurer of the Board of Directors, the annual report of the Magazine Committee, for consultation, and for the adoption of such measures as shall further the cause of missions in our own and other lands, and in general aid the Society in the accomplishment of its purpose. The General Missionary Society shall have charge of the "Women's Missionary Magazine," which will publish information concerning all missionary work undertaken by the society, and publish reports of money raised and disbursed.

3. The General Convention of said Presbyterial societies shall be held annually on the of May, at any place within the United States of North America, and the place of meeting shall be decided at the meeting of the previous year. The officers of the Convention, the delegates from the Presbyterial Societies, the members of the Board of Directors, and all Life Members shall be entitled to take part in the transaction of the business brought before the meeting. The officers of such annual meeting shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents and a Secretary. The Treasurer of the Board of Directors shall be *ex-officio* the Treasurer of such annual meeting. The other officers above named shall be elected at the close of each annual meeting, and it shall be their duty, together with three additional persons living near each other and appointed by the President, to make arrangements for the succeeding meeting. Five Directors may be appointed for election at the annual meeting of the corporation to fill the places of the five who retire. An Auditing Committee shall be appointed composed of two or more persons. The necessary expenses of the President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be paid from the treasury of the General Missionary Society.

Also the amendment adopted at the Princeton Convention.

That the traveling expenses of the following officers of the Women's General Missionary Society be paid out of the contingent fund of the Society: the President and 1st Vice-President, or in her absence 2nd Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer; also the traveling expenses of the secretaries of the departments of work of the Women's Board.

This amendment to be inserted as by-law 4, article 3, the following ones to be one number lower after this one.

5. Any person may become a Life

Member of said General Convention by paying twenty-five dollars ($25.00) or more at one time.

6. All Presbyterial Societies are recognized as auxiliaries; but Congregational Societies contributing not less than ten dollars ($10.00) annually may become auxiliaries to the General Missionary Society, provided there is no Presbyterial Society within whose limits they reside. Such Auxiliary Societies shall be required to make an annual report to the Board of Directors on or before April 15th.

ARTICLE IV.

AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS.

These By-Laws of the corporation may be altered, amended or repealed at any annual meeting of the corporation by a two-thirds vote of the members present—notice of the proposed amendment having been given in writing at a previous meeting.

By-laws adopted as amended.

The by-laws as amended are here appended.

CHARTER AMENDMENTS.

To the Women's General Missionary Society to meet at Princeton, Ind., May 8, 1894

Your Board of Directors have not found time to prepare a formal report on the subject of a new or amended charter, but the undersigned members would present the following report:

We have held several meetings with the Committee appointed by the General Assembly with reference to the charter of the Society. We have also taken legal council with reference to the incorporation of the Board as provided for in the charter submitted to the Missionary Society last year, and find that there is a difference of opinion as to the legality of such an incorporation under the laws of Pennsylvania. Some of the points involved have never been passed upon by the Supreme Court of the State, and the advice given was that the charter, if obtained, should at once be carried to the Supreme Court for a decision as to its legality, inasmuch as it would be unsafe to acquire vested interests until such a decision was rendered. In view of the time and expense required in testing this matter, and also in view of the rights vested in the present corporation and the undoubted legality of its charter, we recommend that the present charter be retained with certain amendments hereafter suggested which will carry out the directions of the previous Assembly. The inconveniences in the working of the present organization may be, in a large measure removed by a careful revision of the by-laws.

We recommend the following Amendments:

Change Article II, defining the object of the corporation, so as to read: "The corporation is formed for the purpose of co-operating with the Boards of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, in the support of missions and medical missionary institutions, and of erecting mission churches and homes for missionaries, in this and other lands, subject to the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America."

Change Article VI, defining the membership, so as to read: "The corporation has no capital stock. The members thereof shall be composed of delegates chosen by the several Presbyterial Missionary Societies of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, who shall serve for one year, and of persons who may be chosen as director of this corporation, and life members."

In Article VIII after the word "purposes" insert "and the manner in which special meetings may be called."

We also recommend the following by-law:

"The Board of Directors shall have power to enter into agreements and make regulations for co-operation with the other Boards of the Church, subject to the approval of the General Assembly and Missionary Society, to make purchases of real estate and to sell and convey the

same, to sign notes and obligations for the corporation, and to use the corporate seal, attested by the President and Secretary of the Board, and shall report the same to the Society. Provided that no obligation shall be given or conveyance made without a two-thirds vote of the Board."

The by-laws, as above, adopted with the addition of the words "and life members" to amendment to Article 6th.

Meeting adjourned by singing of an anthem by the choir, the 23d psalm. Benediction, by Rev. J. H. Andrews of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Wednesday, May 15, 7:30 P. M.

The evening meeting was held in the Bergen Ave., Reformed Church, was devoted to the Thank Offering and Junior Missionary Society services, was opened with singing of an anthem by the choir.

Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson in charge of the Junior Rally opened this particular service by asking the children to join in singing the 23d Psalm. Responsive reading was followed by prayer by Mrs. Sharp of Philadelphia. Mrs. A. S. Biddle then took charge of the Juniors who answered correctly and promptly the questions asked by the leader. The service closed with prayer offered by Mrs. Burchfield, Mrs. Evans and Mrs. Jennie Logue Campbell.

The Thank-offering service in charge of Mrs. A. M. Campbell of Princeton, Indiana, was opened with singing of an anthem by the choir. A program of suitable selections from the Psalms and responsive scripture readings had been prepared and was joined in by the audience; prayers were offered during the service. During the singing of No. 132 Bible Songs, "Come Into His Courts," the offerings were made. Mrs. Brockway offered the consecration prayer. Singing of Doxology, "Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah" and benediction by Dr. A. S. Biddle concluded the Thank Offering service.

Thursday, May 16, 9 A. M.

Meeting opened with devotional exercises conducted by Miss Kate Corbett formerly of India, at present of Altoona, Pa., taking the place of Miss Anna F. Given of India. Prayer was offered by Miss Corbett and Mrs. Cowden. Service closed by singing No. 168 Bible Songs.

A paper written by Dr. Sophia E. Johnston, one of our medical missionaries in India, on "Medical Missions and Zenana Work," was read by Mrs. T. D. Mellon of Allegheny.

The report of Secretary of Freedmen's Work, Dr. C. Jane Vincent, was read by Mrs. Jean S. Sands, the recommendations accompanying being adopted with the report.

FREEDMEN'S WORK.

Recommendations for the coming year.

That the support of all work not completed, be continued, viz: Salaries and all necessary expenses connected with instruction in sewing and cooking be met as before including the sending of clothing to needy missions.

The Jennie Hastings Gillespie Memorial School building at Prairie Bluff, Ala., will be part of the unfinished work from the last year. The new work, is the support of two more industrial teachers, one at Athens, Tenn., and one at Prairie Bluff, making us responsible for thirteen teachers.

A request for the establishing of Agricultural Industrial Training in Alabama has been presented to the Women's Board and that all may have a clear idea of what is desired we give the petition in full and we ask the earnest consideration of every member of the society to this undertaking.

The Committee on Nominations reported three names for President, one to elect; five names for Vice-President, two to elect; one name for Secretary;

one name for Treasurer; eight names for Directors of Women's Board, 5 to elect.

Report adopted.

Committee on place reported two invitations, one from Cherry Fork, Chillicothe Presbytery, and one from Erie, Lake Presbytery, recommending that the invitation from Erie, Lake Presbytery be accepted.

Report adopted.

The question box in charge of Mrs. N. W. Stevenson contained a number of questions which were answered by persons supposed to be familiar with the objects in question.

It was moved by Mrs. H. C. Campbell, and carried, that the report of the Committee appointed to confer with the Magazine Committee be made the order of the day in the afternoon session, immediately after the adoption of the minutes.

Adjourned with benediction pronounced by Rev. Wilson.

Thursday May 16, 1:45 P. M.

Mrs. Frank Getty, of Philadelphia, opened the afternoon meeting with devotional exercises followed by the reading of a paper "Will the heathen be saved without the gospel." Prayer by Mrs. Dr. Wm. S. Stewart of Philadelphia. Service closed by singing No. 87 Bible Songs, "Lord bless and pity us."

Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted. The time having arrived as the order of the day to hear the report of the Magazine Committee; it was by consent deferred to hear the report of the tellers. Tellers reported the result of the election for officers of Convention of 1896, and five members of the Board of Directors, as follows: President, Mrs. Jean S. Sands, Monongahela Presbytery; 1st Vice President, Mrs. Arney S. Biddle, New York; 2d Vice President, Miss Melinda Pressly, Allegheny. Moved and carried the Secretary cast the ballot for Treasurer, Miss E. J. Sloan; moved and carried the Treasurer cast the ballot for Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mary W. Porter, to serve for one year. Board of Directors, Miss E. D. Brown, Mrs. Mary W. Porter, Mrs. J. A. Grier, Mrs. G. W. McDonald, Mrs. E. J. McPherson, to serve for three years.

Mrs. H. C. Dean of Xenia, presented the report of Editor and Secretary of Magazine. On motion of Mrs. H. C. Campbell that action on the report be postponed until report of Committee on Magazine business be heard. The time having arrived for hearing the report of Committee appointed to confer with the Magazine Committee in regard to the Magazine business, the Chairman, Mrs. W. D. Elliott announced that Mrs. H. C. Campbell would present the report of the Committee.

BUSINESS OF MAGAZINE COMMITTEE.

Mrs. H. C. Campbell presented the following report, reading from the printed statement:

Report of Board of Directors of Women's General Missionary Society concerning the financial condition of the Women's Missionary Magazine.

A letter, dated April 23, 1895, received by a member of your Board of Directors, made representations concerning the financial management of our *Women's Missionary Magazine* which seemed to demand immediate attention:

The *First* statement made in said letter was, that one member of the Magazine Committee had held "that while she had agreed to give her time and labor gratuitously, for starting and establishing the magazine without expense to or compensation from the the Women's General Missionary Society, she never relinquished her just and equitable right to her share of the

surplus earnings, after the magazine was established on a solid basis."

The *Second* statement was; "This claim was recognized by the Women's General Missionary Society in 1892, when the surplus, (after setting aside one thousand dollars as a reserve fund) amounting to six hundred dollars, was equally divided among the members of the Magazine Committee."

Third statement; "The treasurer's book also shows that during the two subsequent years, two hundred and seventy dollars were similarly divided without question of the right to do so by any one."

In view of the foregoing a special meeting of your Board of Directors was held and a committee of two was appointed to go to Xenia for the purpose of conferring with your Magazine Committee in order to ascertain the reliability of the statements made.

Your Board of Directors being the legal representatives and business agents of the Women's General Missionary Society, do, in justice to your interests, deem it necessary to lay before you a complete report of the investigation made by said committee, which is as follows:—

After a very full and harmonious discussion of the whole matter your committee found that the three surviving members of the Magazine Committee did not hold the views set forth in the first statement, viz: "That they had a right to the surplus earnings,"—but on the contrary declared that they believed the money to be trust funds and at the sole disposal of the General Missionary Society.

In regard to the *second* statement, viz: "That the Women's General Missionary Society had recognized the right of the Magazine Committee to divide balances," we found that the minutes of 1892 contained the following action, which clearly demonstrates the fallacy of this assertion. See page 336.

"RECOMMENDATION 4TH: From the Treasurer's report there is a surplus in the treasury of $1,734.00. The committee recommends that they be authorized to set aside $134 to meet outstanding obligations; that $1,000 be set aside as a permanent reserve fund, and that the remaining $600.00 be placed at the disposal of the committee to be used by them for the *good of the Magazine.*"

In reference to the latter part of the second statement, viz: "that $600.00 was equally divided among the three members of the committee," we found that two of the surviving members acknowledged that they had accepted $200.00 each as their part of said division, but claimed that they had not considered the money theirs for personal use, but to be used solely for the good of the Magazine.

As the *third* claim in the letter was, "that the Treasurer's book would show," &c. it became necessary to have an audit of said Treasurer's books which were still in the custody of the late acting Treasurer, Rev. J. G. Carson, D. D.

However in order to prove the truth of the statement made above, he reluctantly gave your committee the Treaser's books containing records from April 23, 1892, to July 1, 1894, with accompanying bank books. These were placed in the hands of an expert accountant who made as complete an audit as possible, not having either receipts, vouchers or checks.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. H. C. CAMPBELL,
MRS. ANNIE R. HERRON,
MRS. MARY C. PORTER,
Committee.

STATEMENT "B."

Statement of special fund set apart for the use of Belle McD. Patterson, Xenia, Ohio, from earnings of the Ladies' Missionary Magazine and invested by her in aids for the furtherance and prosperity of the said Magazine.

RECEIPTS.

1892.			
Oct.	13,	Ck. of J. G. Carson, deposited in special fund in bank . . .	$200 00
1893.			
June	22,	Ck. Expenses	36 65
July	6,	"	5 00
Aug.	7,	"	5 00
Sept.	16,	"	5 00
Oct.	21,	"	5 00
Nov.	8,	"	5 00
Dec.	8,	"	5 00
1894.			
Jan.	15,	"	5 00
Feb.	5,	"	5 00
Mar.	6,	"	5 00
April	7,	"	5 00
May	4.	"	5 00
June	5,	"	5 00
1895.			
Jan.	7,	A. McDowell, Est. et al for books, &c., Worthington Co. account	7 14
Feb.	20,	Mrs. W. C. Hutchinson ½ Standard Dictionary . . .	11 00
		Total	$314 79

DISBURSEMENTS.

1892.			
Oct.	13,	Office Furniture	$ 25 00
Nov.	3,	Curtain	3 75
"	11,	Missionary Encyclopedia .	10 00
"	29,	Dictionary Holder	5 00
"	29,	Desk	11 00
Dec.	1,	Student's Vol. Lib	5 00
1893.			
Mar.	8,	Ten Great Religions . . .	1 35
June	22,	Lane's Modern Egypt . .	4 00
Dec.	7,	Tennyson	1 75
Nov.	8,	Encyclopedia	120 00
Dec.	20,	Stationery, Postage . . .	4 80
1894.			
Feb.	10,	Books Exp., Worthington Co.	46 87
June	22,	Stationery and Postage . .	2 65
Mar.	8,	Periodicals	2 25
Mar.	24,	Incidentals	3 23
Aug.	15,	Fountain Pen	2 00
		Cash (Schedule "C") . .	
		Balance in Bank	66 14
		Total	$314 79

Respectfully submitted,

BELLE MCD. PATTERSON,
Agent.

XENIA, O., May 6, 1895.

I hereby certify that the foregoing statement is a true abstract taken by me off of the account which Mrs. Belle McD. Patterson has kept with said special fund during the period covered by October 13, 1892, and April 30, 1895 inclusive.

GEO. W. KENDALL,
Accountant.

The report being presented at length, it was moved by Mrs. Evans, of Allegheny, and carried, that "Statement B"—Mrs. Belle McD. Patterson's statement—including the written statement on the black board, which reads: "That there were charges against her subsequent to October 13, 1892, and prior to June 22, 1893." These sums were immediately disbursed for postage, &c., and not entered on the books. This makes the actual balance $66.14. Checks were presented instead of vouchers.

Mrs. H. C. Campbell moved that the report of the Treasurer of the Magazine Committee for ten months, ending May 12, 1895, and the report of Editor and Secretary for same time, be first adopted. Carried.

Mrs. S. S. Stewart moved, and it was carried as amended by Mrs. H. C. Campbell, that the printed report of Convention Committee on Magazine work with recommendations be adopted.

The recommendations and actions are herewith appended:

In view of the foregoing reports, your committee desire to present the following recommendations:

1. That the reserve fund of one thousand dollars ($1,000) be paid over to the treasurer of your Board of Directors to be permanently invested.

2. That the balance of $1,032.38 as shown by Magazine Treasurer's report, after said reserve fund has been transferred, be allowed to remain in treasury of magazine to be used as the interest of the magazine may demand.

3. That balances shown by accountant's report, due magazine, be collected and paid into treasury of same.

4. That treasurer of magazine be required to give an annual bond of one thousand dollars, ($1,000) expenses of said bond to be met out of proceeds of magazine, being in accordance with rule established from the beginning of our work by your Board of Directors whose treasurer has

always been required to give annual bond for five thousand dollars ($5,000).

5. That your magazine committee be required to submit to your Board of Directors, itemized quarterly financial reports and detailed statement of all work pertaining to magazine.

6. That after April 15th of each year an expert accountant be employed to audit the books of the treasurer of the magazine, expense of said audit to be paid from magazine treasury—this also being in accord with custom of your Board of Directors which requires treasurer's accounts to be audited annually.

7. That all expenses of auditor and your committee in preparing material for this report be ordered paid by treasurer of magazine upon presentation of bills.

8. That we agree with the statement of our magazine committee that all furniture, books, plates, &c, bought by said committee with magazine fund, are the property of the Women's General Missionary Society, and we further recommend that any member of said magazine committee be allowed to purchase any of said furniture books, &c. that she may desire as amended.

9. That this year we elect five members of the magazine committee instead of three as heretofore.

MRS. W. D. ELLIOT,
Chairman.

On motion, the report adopted as amended.

Statement of Mrs. W. C. Hutchinson, chairman of Magazine Committee, being headed, "Statement of Special Fund set apart for use of Mrs. W. C. Hutchinson by the Women's General Missionary Society, May, 1892, for benefit of Magazine." The heading of Mrs. W. C. Hutchison's report not being in accordance with the views of the committee, Mrs. A. R. Herron moved, as amended by Mrs. H. C. Campbell, that this be changed to read, "Statement of Mrs. W. C. Hutchinson," and to be inserted in the Minutes as "Statement F."

STATEMENT "F."

Account of Mrs. W. C. Hutchinson.

RECEIPTS.

$200 00.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Encyclopedia	$120 00
Desk	15 00
Paid Mrs Patterson	11 00
On hand	54 00
	$200 00

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. W. C. HUTCHINSON,
Chairman Magazine Com.

Statement of funds received from the Treasurer of Magazine for current expenses.

RECEIPTS.

1892.	
July 30	$30 00
1893	40 00
1893	30 00
	5 00
	5 00
	5 00
	5 00
	5 00
	5 00
	5 00
	5 00
	5 00
	5 00
	5 00
	$160 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

Current Expenses, Travel for Convention, etc., 1892 to 1893	$ 48 00
Omaha	40 00
Current Expense Funds, 1893 to 1894,	38 00
On hand	34 00
	$160 00

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. W. C. HUTCHINSON,
Chairman Magazine Com.

Moved and carried, that the rest of the report of this committee be adopted.

Moved by Mrs. H. C. Campbell and carried, that we meet at 7 o'clock this evening, and that we stay until the business of the Convention is finished.

On motion, adjourned to visit the Institutional Church.

Thursday, May 16, 7 P. M.

Evening meeting opened with devotional exercises, in which prayers were offered by Mrs. Dr. Reid, Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Stevenson.

Report of Committee on Bible Training Schools for Home and Foreign Missionaries was given by the Chairman, Mrs. H. C. Campbell, endorsing

Newburg Seminary, Newburg, N. Y., for this summer. Xenia and Allegheny seminaries make liberal offers to the committee of the use of their services and building. On motion report adopted with resolutions appended.

REPORT OF TRAINING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

As the reasons why we should have a training school have been so often and so ably presented at former conventions your committee refrains from attempting anything further except to say.

1. That we heartily endorse the establishment of such schools wherever practicable.

2. That we earnestly urge all our workers who can possibly make it convenient to attend the summer school to be opened at Newburg, New York, in July of this year. As the old seminary buildings are located there and funds on hands to carry on the work, said school will cost nothing to the pupils except traveling expenses and boarding. Circulars giving names of teachers and curriculum were to have been here for use of convention but have not yet arrived much to our regret. Suffice it to say that the very best talent of our church has been secured for the work.

3. In view of these liberal offers and the fact that our workers are widely separated we recommend the establishment of training schools in connection with both seminaries, Xenia and Allegheny.

4. We further recommend the appointment of a local committee of five ladies in each community who shall have immediate oversight of this work, attending to correspondence, securing boarding for students and all other matters which will tend to the furtherance af the cause.

MRS. H. C. CAMPBELL,
MRS. MARY CLOKEY PORTER,
MRS. M. M. KELSO,
MRS. W. J. REID.

Xenia, Ohio.

The Board and Professors of the Xenia Seminary heartily approve of the decision of the Women's General Missionary Society of 1894 to establish a Training School and open wide their doors to all christian workers, welcoming them to all classes and lectures and if necessary would be willing to give additional work; would also allow the use of the library and recitation rooms.

The following has also been received from the faculty of the Allegheny Seminary.

ALLEGHENY, PENN., May 6th, 1895.

MRS. H. C. CAMPBELL, Allegheny, Pa.,

Dear friend:

I am directed by the faculty of the Allegheny Theological Seminary to say that we are willing to co-operate with the Women's Board in the establishment of a Bible Training School in Allegheny in the following way:

1. Our recitation rooms during the forenoons, and, when not occupied by Seminary classes, in the afternoons are freely offered to your school.

2. We offer to open all our classes in English to the members of the Bible Training School. This would include English Bible in both Old and New Testaments, Church History, Practical Religion, Systematic Theology. Apologetics, Canonisticy, Methods of Church Work, etc.

3. We will so far as we may be able without detriment to our regular Seminary work, adjust our various courses to the convenience of the Training School.

With best wishes for the success of this undertaking should you see fit to enter upon it here or elsewhere.

I am yours sincerely,

D. A. MCCLENAHAN,
Secretary of faculty.

The open parliament was in charge of Mrs. Dr. W. S. Stewart, of Philadelphia. Mrs. Metta Magill, Mrs. Judge Brockway, Miss McCool, Miss M. Ella Turnbull took part in this service.

The Freedmen's delegate, special, Mrs. Tillie Scott Johnston, at the re-

quest of the President, sang two of the dialect songs of her people in the "black belt in the South." She also made an earnest plea for, and urged the claims of this people on the Women's General Missionary Society.

Business resumed, Mrs. Thomas S. Stewart moved, and it was carried, that the Board of Directors be instructed to pay their room rent out of the contingent fund of the society.

Committee on Memorial reported: The first memorial to be considered is from Monmouth Presbyterial in reference to the publishing of the Minutes of this convention. Read.

As the subject of the publishing of the minutes is one in which all the members of this convention are deeply interested, your committee deems it advisable to present the memorial to you with but one recommendation, namely: That the minutes of this Convention be published in separate form—

1st. Because they are available for free distribution.

2d. Because, by publishing the Minutes separately, we receive twelve regular numbers of the Magazine for the subscription price, sixty cents.

3d. Because, where the minutes are used by secretaries and other officers of societies, they can be used in giving information to others, without cost to same, whereas, if a copy of Magazine containing minutes is desired for this use, the sum of fifteen cents has to be paid for each copy.

The second memorial was received from First Church, Monmouth, which involves a consultation with the Board of Foreign Missions. Therefore your committee recommend that there be no action taken at this time.

This third memorial has been already covered by the report of the Training School Committee.

Signed:

METTIE C. MAGILL,
MISS ANNA F. GIVEN,
MRS. MARY CLOKEY PORTER,
MRS. ELLA M. KERR,
MRS. W. J. REID.

Report adopted as amended by the Corporation meeting in Pittsburg, Pa., May 24th, that the Minutes be published separately by the Board of Directors of the Women's General Missionary Society.

Memorial from Women's Missionary Association of Monmouth Presbytery to the Women's General Committee to meet at Jersey City, N. J., May 14-16, 1895.

The Women's Missionary Association of Monmouth Presbytery hereby memorialize the Women's General Committee to direct the publication of the minutes of the General Convention in the July number of the Women's Missionary Magazine.

We earnestly request that they be so published for the following reasons:

1. They would then reach a much larger number of readers.

2. They would then be read by those who need such information most, thereby multiplying their influence for good.

3. They could evidently be published thus at smaller expense.

4. They are not yet so bulky as to require special, separate publication.

Your memorialists regard this a matter of importance and respectfully urge for it your thoughtful consideration and favorable action. By order of the Women's Missionary Association of Monmouth Presbytery.

MRS. H. M. ALLISON,
Committee.

To the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church, meeting in Jersey City, N. J. May 14-16, 1895:

WHEREAS, the Xenia Presbyterial Society has discussed for over two years the importance and need of a *Training School*; and

WHEREAS, the General Society at Princeton, Indiana, one year ago decided the establishment of such a school in our Church, to be a desirable thing; and

WHEREAS, It is found that the Managers of Xenia Theological Seminary heartily approve of such a school being operated in connection with the Seminary; and

WHEREAS, the professors of Xenia Seminary, able and distinguished teachers of the Bible, have most cordially consented to give without salary their assistance as teachers; and

WHEREAS, Xenia is centrally located, has excellent facilities for cheap boarding and has a large population that will furnish opportunity for practical experience to Christian workers,

Therefore, by order of the Xenia Presbyterial Society, we the officers, do hereby most respectfully

Memorialize, the General Society meeting in Jersey City, N. J. to establish a Training School at Xenia, Ohio, and we ask that Committee of five be appointed which shall have power to make arrangements for the school for the coming year and which shall report one year hence as to further needs in the work.

MRS. J. C. WARNOCK. President,
MRS W. B. BRYSON, Secretary.

Xenia, Ohio, May 8, 1895.

Committee on Resolutions reported: Your Committee on Resolutions would respectfully submit the following report:

I. That we give thanks to God for his continued blessing on our work during the past year, and while there has been but little improvement in the financial condition of our country, yet our contributions have not decreased, but on the contrary have been more liberal.

II. That realizing more fully than ever before the aggression of the liquor power, it is our desire once more to place ourselves on record as being most decidedly opposed to the rum traffic in all its forms, and to pledge ourselves to greater effort for the overthrow of this evil that is so surely depleting our Sabbath-School and Missionary Societies both numerically and financially. As one means of accomplishing this end we recommend that the best christian literature possible be freely distributed among our children that thereby it may be brought to the notice of parents, and that we improve every opportunity for its entire extermination from this our beloved land.

III. That we as women of the General Missionary Convention of the United Presbyterian Church, place on record our protest against the bill before the houses of Pennsylvania authorizing the sale of Sunday newspapers. Also against the one authorizing the municipal advertising in Sunday papers. That as an Association and individual members we will do everything in our power to prevent the desecration of God's holy day and to promote the sanctity and purity of the christian Sabbath.

IV. That we place on record a tribute of respect to the memory of Mrs. Jennie Hastings Gillespie, secretary of Junior work, one whose heart was in the work, who was willing at all times to give help wherever needed. Also to the memory of Mrs. Dr. Witherspoon and Mrs. Boswell, members of the Women's Association and faithful members always beloved.

Resolved—That we tender our heartfelt sympathy to the families thus bereaved, and commend them to the love of Him who doeth all things in love.

V. That we do hold the Junior Missionary work to be a work of vast importance and as it is the only junior organization under the care of this Society, we urge the members of this convention to see to it that none of the congregations in their Presbyteries be without such an organization, and that every Presbyterial have a Presbyterial Secretary. That we be more thoughtful for the reputation of this department and aid our Secretary by putting forth every effort to organize and maintain a good Junior Missionary Society thoroughly equipped for work, and by reporting the same clearly and fully to the General Secretary. Remembering that ere many years are gone those who are now juniors will be seniors holding these conventions, setting in our church courts and carrying forward the church work, showing to the world how we did—or failed to do our whole duty in teaching them and training them for the Master's service.

VI. That we render thanks to the God of Missions for all His blessings bestowed on us in our foreign field. For His care over the work in the field and the encouragement and success bestowed. For the addition of a doctor and three other missionaries to India and three to Egypt, and for the encouraging reports sent home from time to time.

VII. That it has given us the greatest of pleasure to have with us in these meetings our Foreign Missionaries Dr. White, Miss Kate Corbett and Miss Anna Given. Also our missionaries to the Freedmen, Mrs. Tillie Scott Johnson, of Miller's Ferry, Ala., and to our Home Missionary, Miss Lyde McCool, of Topeka, Kan. That we thank them for the help and inspiration which their presence and words have brought us.

VIII. That we express our sympathy with our mission workers at Miller's Ferry and with the secretary of the Freedmen's work and all affected by the loss by fire of the school building at that place, which occurred May 4, 1895 Especially with those dear people who are thirsting for education, the knowledge of a better way of living and for the light of the sweet religion of Jesus; and who so sincerely regret their loss and are so willing to make sacrifices to replace their building.

IX. That we express our heartfelt gratitude to the Woman's Board, its officers, and Secretaries of the several departments for their efficient services so freely and cheerfully rendered without money and without price, fulfilling the injunction, "freely ye have received—freely give." They have the mental power to organize and the executive ability necessary for the carrying on of this work successfully. Let us recognize and encourage them by showing our appreciation of their work and second their efforts to arouse and maintain a living, active interest in the work of sending the Gospel of Christ more and more freely into our several mission fields.

X. That we recommend that a copy of the Women's Magazine be taken in every family, as it is the recognized organ of the Women's General Missionary Society and "chock full" of good, solid matter relating to the different phases of Missionary work in all our fields. We do urge every one to put forth every effort to increase its circulation.

XI. That we extend our thanks to Rev. J. Lester Wells, of the Tabernacle Institutional Church, for his kindness in giving us a practical illustration of that important work.

XII. That we tender our sincere thanks to the pastor and people of the Summit Avenue United Presbyterian Church, ably assisted by the 1st and 2nd Jersey City and st Hoboken and their pastors, and by numerous friends in the vicinity who have so kindly thrown open their pleasant homes for our entertainment; to the messengers and pages who have been so faithful in their attendance upon us, and to the choir who have rendered us such beautiful music; to the pastor and members of the Bergen Reformed Church for the use of their church building for our evening services; to the pastor's helpers and the young ladies of sister denominations who so kindly assisted them in serving refreshments, and to the representatives of the daily papers for their faithful reports, and to all others who assisted in making our meeting a success.

XIII. That we tender our sincere thanks to the Trunk Line and Central Traffic Association for their courteous and prompt attention, also to those who have so satisfactorily arranged all the details of the trip, especially Miss E. D. Brown, our Railroad Secretary.

MRS. EVA WELCH. MISS E. MCMILLAN,
MRS. T. H. CREAGH, MRS. ISABELLA YAN,
MISS KATE CORBETT, Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF THE THANK OFFERING COMMITTEE.

We respectfully submit the following:

The total amount of money received by Thank Offering Committtee is $14,468.92.

There is also $265.60 on the way, when this is received the total amount will be $14,734.52.

MISS E. J. SLOAN,
MRS. A. W. LYTLE,
MISS CLARA KYLE.

Afterwards the Thank Offering was increased to $15,183.90.

Report adopted.

The claims of Waitsburg Academy situated at Waitsburg, Washington, were presented by Mrs. Jennie Logue Campbell of Monmouth, Ill., and Miss Ina Robertson of Waitsburg, Washington, setting forth the claims of this institution on our liberality and the great need of this Academy in this locality.

Miss Jennie Logue Campbell moved and it was carried, that three thousand dollars be given to Waitsburg Academy by the Women's General Missionary Society, for the purpose of assisting in erecting dormatories. A rising vote was called for, President announced the motion carried, 35 yeas, 10 nays.

The Nominating Committee presented the names for officers of the Magazine Committee to be elected: Mrs. W. C. Hutchinson, Mrs. Belle Mc D. Patterson, Miss Sallie McDowell, Mrs. H. C. Dean and Mrs. S. M. Kelso. The report was adopted.

Moved that the Secretary cast the ballot. This was done and the committee elected as nominated.

President announced the Executive Committee to make arrangements for the Convention of 1896, to be held at Erie, Pa.: Mrs. Rev. J. C. Wilson, Mrs. R. T. Shank, Miss Jennie Pressly.

The Railroad Secretary, Miss E. D. Brown, reported that one hundred and thirty-three persons traveled by rail to the Convention, ninety-four being on the certificate plan.

REPORT OF RAILROAD SECRETARY.

Attended by Clerical Permit	3
" " Unlimited Ticket	10
" " Regular Ticket	23
" " Certificate Plan	94
" " Railroad Passes	3
Total	133

ELIZABETH D. BROWN.

Bills of the Executive Committee presented and were ordered to be paid by the Treasurer.

Moved and carried, that the paper written by Mrs. J. Kelly Giffen be published with the Minutes.

Moved and carried, that the address to be given by Mrs. H. C. Campbell on "The Work Now Before Us," be regretfully postponed.

Consecration service was conducted by Mrs. J. L. Campbell, of Monmouth.

Moved and carried, that all unfinished business of whatever kind be attended to at the corporation meeting of the Society, to be held in the Second Church, Pittsburg, Pa., on the fourth Friday in May.

The President announced that, after singing, and the benediction pronounced by Dr. T. D. Anderson, of New York, the Twelfth (12th) Annual Convention of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America stood adjourned to meet in Erie, Pa., the second Tuesday of May, 1896, at 7.45 P. M.

MARY W. PORTER,
Secretary.

REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE.

We have carefully examined the credentials and respectfully report the following:

No. of Gen. Miss. Soc. officers present	6
No. of Boards of Directors	10
No. of Life Members	11
Of this number 10 are either delegates or members of the Board, so we report one as delegate	1
Delegates of Pres. Soc.	77
Member of Magazine Committee	1
Total	95

ELIZABETH D. BROWN, Chairman.
MRS. A. P. BURCHFIELD.

DELEGATE ROLL.

JERSEY CITY. MAY 14-16, 1895.

ALLEGHENY.

*Miss Emma Hood.
*Miss Mary Glover.
*Mrs. S. A. Creagh.
*Mrs. M. J. Davidson.
*Miss Melissa Dickey.
*Miss Winifred Scott.
*Mrs. T. D. Mellon.
*Mrs. J. R. J. Milligan.
*Miss Mary Blythe.
*Mrs. J. E. J. Evans.
*Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson.
*Mrs. Jos. F. Neely.
*Mrs. M. J. Steele.

Alternates:
Miss Mary J. Glover.
Miss Jean Robertson.
Miss Elizabeth Schwarberg.
Mrs. W. S. Harper.
Mrs. A. Rogers.
Miss Lillie Murray.
Miss Martha Burgess.
Mrs. D. M. Sloan.
Miss Margaret McCance.
Miss Nellie Fulton.

ARGYLE

*Miss S. J. Hanna.
*Mrs. M. E. Congden.
*Mrs. D. C. McKay.
*Miss Lizzie Marshall.

Alternates:
Mrs. J. T. McClellan.
Mrs. John McA. Reid.

BEAVER VALLEY.

*Mrs. D. S. Cunningham.
Miss Lizzie McClain.

BIG SPRING.

*Mrs. Metta McGill.

Alternate,
Mrs. May Pinkerton.

BROOKVILLE.

*Miss Anna F. Given.

Alternate,
Miss Lizzie Brown.

BUTLER.

Mrs. J. H. Braden.
Alternate,
*Mrs. Sadie Leslie.
Miss Mary Brown.

CALEDONIA.

*Mrs. J. L. Thompson.
Miss Anna McDonald.
Alternate,
Mrs. D. S. L. McNary.

CEDAR RAPIDS.

*Miss Jenny Kennedy.
*Mrs. Sarah M. Brockway.
Alternate,
Mrs. J. G. Findley.

CHARTIERS.

*Miss Hannah McKee.
Mrs. Wm. McPeak
Alternate,
Miss Bertha Caldwell.

CHICAGO.

*Mrs. Marshall.
Alternate,
Mrs. Stephen Findley.

CLEVELAND.

*Mrs. A. W. Lytle.

CONEMAUGH

Mrs. R. A. Hutchison.
Mrs. J. M. Stewart.
Alternate,
Mrs. W. S. Owens.

DELAWARE.

*Miss Jessie M. Doig.
*M. Ella Turnbull.
*Mrs. J. J. Andrews.
Alternate,
Mrs. N. E. Wade.

DES MOINES.

*Mrs. R. A. Evans.
Alternate,
Mrs. Jas. Sawhill.

EGYPT.

Mrs. A. B. Ashenhurst.

GARNETT.

*Mrs. Nannie R. Ross.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL.

Miss Jennie Deatrick.

INDIANA.

*Mrs. L. M. Gordon.

ILLINOIS SOUTHERN.

*Mrs. J. C. Elliott.
Miss Hannah Davis.
Alternate,
Mrs. Charles McKelvey.

KEOKUK.

*Mrs. Lillian Crowden.
*Mrs. Eva Welch.

LAKE.

*Miss Minnie Ralston.
Alternate,
Mrs. Leslie.

LOS ANGELES.

Mrs. J. A. Gordon.

MANSFIELD.

*Mrs. George Sharp.
Alternate,
Mrs. W. E. Shaw.

MERCER.

*Mrs. W. D. Elliott.

MONMOUTH.

*Miss Margaret Oliver.
*Mrs. C. M. Rodgers.
*Mrs. J L. Campbell.
Alternates,
Miss Nina Murray.
Mrs. J. O. McKnight.

MONONGAHELA.

*Miss Agnes Wilson.
*Mrs. Lillie A. Glosser.
*Mrs. Isabella Gaw.
*Mrs. F. A. Stevenson.
*Mrs. C. A. Foster.
*Miss Elizabeth McMillan.
*Mrs. Jennie E. Brown.
*Miss Belle Clements.
*Miss Susie McRoberts.
*Mrs. Sarah Lawrence.
*Mrs. W. J. Ried.
*Mrs. A. P. Burchfield.
*Miss Elizabeth D Brown.
*Mrs. Jean S. Sands.
*Mrs. Anna R. Herron.
*Miss E. J. Sloan.
Alternates,
Miss Clara Bradley.
Mrs Jennie Henninger.
Miss Anna Russell.
Mrs. D K. Bryce.
Mrs. Chas. Barr.
Miss Ella J. Lowry.
Mrs. W. R. Ford.
Mrs. W. W. Greer.
Miss Margaret Burke.
Mrs. Cowley.

MUSKINGUM.

*Mrs. Rev. Creswell,

NEW YORK.

*Miss Annie Hopkins.
*Mrs. J. A. Edmiston.

1ST OHIO.

*Miss Sallie Stewart.

Alternate,
Miss Emma McClelland.

OMAHA.

Mrs. Dr. Williamson.

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Mrs. S. G. Fitzgerald.

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Miss Kate McLaughlin.
Mrs. D. H. Ross.

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Alternate,
Miss Maggie McCoy.

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*Mrs. J. M. Atchison.
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*Mrs. J. P. Taylor.

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Miss Jennie McMath.

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Miss Margaret Kirker.

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Miss Grace Williamson.
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*Mrs. S. M. Kelso.

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*Mrs. Donnan Livingston.
*Miss Clara Kyle.
*Mrs. Cam. Dean.

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*Mrs. Tillie Scott Johnston.

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*Miss Emma Mabon.

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1886.

Miss Mary Bruce.
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1893.

Mrs. J. H. Young, Washington, Iowa.
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1894.

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Mrs. N. H. Brown.
Mrs. E. M. Hill.
Miss Lizzie Archer.
Miss Eliza Cooper.

1895.

Mrs. D. S Littell.
Miss Fannie Wright.
Miss Belle Wright.
*Mrs Joseph F. Neely.

Those marked (*) were present.

CORPORATION MEETING.

May 24th, 1895, 10 a. m.

The Recording Secretary called the meeting to order and asked for nominations for Chairman. Mrs. Jean J. S. Sands elected Chairman. Present

Mrs. Jos. F. Neely, Allegheny.
Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter, Allegheny.
Mrs. T. D. Mellon, Allegheny.
Mrs. H. C. Campbell, Allegheny.
Mrs. W. H. McMillan, Allegheny.
Mrs. M. J Davidson, Allegheny.
Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson, Allegheny.
Miss Melissa Dickey, Allegheny.
Miss Emma Hood, Allegheny.
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Mrs. Lillie Glosser, Monongahela.
Miss Agnes Wilson, Monongahela.
Mrs. Sarah Lawrence, Monongahela
Mrs. Annie R. Herron. Monongahela.
Mrs. C. A. Foster, Monongahela.
Miss B S. C Clements. Monongahela.
Mrs. W. J. Reid, Monongahela.
Miss E. D. Brown, Monongahela
Mrs. F. Albert Stevenson, Monongahela.
Miss E. J. Sloan, Monongahela.
Mrs. W. R. Ford, Monongahela.
Mrs. Mary W. Porter, Monongahela.
Mrs. D. S. Littell, Monongahela.
Mrs. Isabella Yaw, Monongahela.
Miss Jennie Brown, Monongahela.
Miss Jennie Kennedy, Cedar Rapids.
Miss Ina L. Robertson, Waitsburg

The meeting was opened with devotional services conducted by the Chairman.

Minutes of meeting of Annual Convention held at Jersey City, not before presented were read and with amendments adopted. On motion of Mrs. H. C. Campbell, two committees of five each be appointed to take charge of the training schools for missionaries in connection with Xenia and Allegheny Seminaries.

ALLEGHENY COMMITTEE.

Mrs. J. A. Grier, Allegheny,
Mrs. J. M. Ross, Pittsburg,
Mrs. N. H. I. Stewart, Stewart's Station,
Mrs. J. Johnston, Washington,
Mrs. Margaret Murdoch, Washington.

XENIA COMMITTEE.

Mrs. W. J. Buchanan, Xenia,
Mrs. R. S. Finley, Xenia,
Mrs. Mary Harper Wilson, Xenia.
Mrs. J. C. Warnock, Cedarville, O.
Mrs. Joseph Holmes, Dean, O.

On motion by Mrs. Campbell these committees have the privilege of choosing their own Chairman.

In regard to printing the minutes Mrs. H. C. Campbell moved and it was carried that the article on printing of minutes be amended to read immediately following the words "printed separately," the words "by the Board of Directors of the Woman's General Missionary Society." The question of the time of payment and from what fund the money voted by the General Missionary Society to Waitsburg Academy shall be taken, was on motion of Miss Jennie Kennedy, of Cedar Rapids, left to the discretion of the Board of Directors.

By resolution of the Corporation, at the meeting held May 24, 1895, it was decided that the paper of Mrs. J. Kelly Giffen be published in the Magazine.

Mrs. Reid presented Mrs. J. O. Ashenhurst, of Egypt, to the meeting.

The minutes as amended were adopted by a rising vote.

Adjourned.

MARY W. PORTER,
Recording Secretary.

REPORT OF

Thank-Offering Committee Women's General Missionary Society.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., MAY 15, 1895.

NAME OF PRESBYTERY.	AMOUNT.
Allegheny	$ 1,849 65
Argyle	210 33
Arkansas Valley	80 19
Beaver Valley	324 36
Big Spring	122 07
Brookville	81 79
Butler	250 80
Caledonia	240 51
Cedar Rapids	248 43
Chartiers	767 60
Chicago	187 43
Chillicothe	115 43
Cleveland	50 00
College Springs	178 34
Colorado	111 17
Conemaugh	77 98
Delaware	111 92
Des Moines	187 18
Detroit	15 55
Frankfort	48 00
Garnett	147 00
Indiana	83 48
Indiana, Northern	73 00
Illinois, Central	320 03
Illinois, Southern	122 00
Kansas City	29 75
Keokuk	422 09
Lake	423 21
Le Claire	71 08
Los Angeles	102 25
Mansfield	126 30
Mercer	206 20
Monmouth	553 08
Monongahela	2,657 67
Muskingum	441 57
New York	206 60
Ohio, First	357 01
Omaha	107 39
Oregon	110 65
Pawnee	98 28
Philadelphia	252 48
Princeton	219 18
Rock Island	113 75
San Francisco	61 00
Sailkot	86 00
Sidney	189 82
Steubenville	302 03
Westmoreland	786 29
Wheeling	321 00
Wisconsin, Rock Prairie	93 72
Xenia	620 00
Native Minister's Wife, India proceeds of Lace	40
A Friend, Hanover, Ind	15 00
Proceeds of Socks received at Omaha	1 00
Friend of Missions, Elvira, Ia	10 00
Mrs. Dr. Young and Mrs. Dr. Gordon, Lordsville, Cal.	25 00
Mrs. M. J. VanKirk and Miss Sadie C. VanKirk, Elizabeth, Pa	10 00
Mrs. Wm. Renwick, Garrattsville, N. Y.	3 65
A Friend, Jamestown, Pa.	4 00
Mrs. A. W. McClurkin, Port Huron, Mich	3 50
A poor working girl	36
Hopewell, Tenn., W. M. S	2 85
Teachers in Knoxville College, Tenn.	43 00
A pair of kid gloves	1 50
A Friend, Delhi, N. Y	20 00
Mrs. S. M. McFarland, Havre, Ia.	2 00
Pomona Congregation, California, contributed shortly before the death of Rev. Alexander Young, D. D., and in it is included the last gift he ever made to the work of Missions	18 00
Mrs. James Henry, Somonank, Ill.	3 65
Mrs. Anna M. Winter, Sandwich, Ill.	2 00
From July 3, 1894, and including June 15, 1895, TOTAL	$15,128 55

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. SLOAN, Chairman.

NAME OF PRESBYTERY OR INDIVIDUAL.	Foreign Missions. Egypt and India.	Salary Foreign Missionary.	Ramleh, Egypt.	Home Missions.	Salary Home Missionary.	Freedmen's Mission.	Prairie Bluff Memorial.	Miller's Ferry.	Church Extension and Parsonage.	Church Extension Canton, Ohio.	Church Extension 2d San Francisco.	
Allegheny	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	$170 00	. . .	$31 22	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	1
Argyle	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	$17 00	. . .	. . .	2
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Beaver Valley	52 26	. . .	. . .	$9 26	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	4
Caledonia	53 66	. . .	. . .	74 65	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	5
Chicago	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	6
College Springs	. . .	. . .	. . .	20 00	. . .	. . .	. .	. . .	15 00	. . .	. . .	7
Frankfort	12 00	. . .	. . .	12 00	. . .	$12 00	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	8
Garnett	. . .	. . .	. . .	147 00	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	9
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Los Angeles	10 00	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	12
Mansfield	5 00	. . .	. . .	5 00	. . .	5 00	7 70	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	13
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Monmouth	15 00	. . .	. . .	33 90	. . .	15 00	. . .	$18 40	24 80	. . .	. . .	15
Monongahela	27 00	. . .	37 00	4 00	. . .	4 00	. . .	. . .	2 00	. . .	. . .	16
Muskingum	48 85	. . .	. . .	7 50	. . .	8 00	. . .	. . .	13 00	$6 00	. . .	17
Ohio, First	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	18
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Princeton	. . .	. .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	$25 83	20
Steubenville	47 00	. . .	. . .	35 00	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	21
Westmoreland	104 50	. . .	. . .	71 87	. . .	40 00	4 00	. . .	39 00	. . .	. . .	22
Wheeling	6 00	. . .	. . .	6 00	. . .	8 50	. . .	. . .	7 00	. . .	. . .	23
Xenia	. . .	294 96	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	24
Teachers in Knoxville College	43 00	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	25
Mrs. James Henry	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	3 65	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	26
Mrs. A. M. Winter	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	2 00	. . .	. . .	. . .	27
Totals	500 52	302 46	37 00	495 68	170 00	105 50	46 57	20 40	153 66	6 00	25 83	

	South Side Chapel, Princeton, Ind.	Middletown, O., Mission.	Parsonage, Bloomfield, O.	Ministerial Relief.	Orphan's Home.	Memorial Hospital, Allegheny.	Aged Peoples' Home.	Seminary Fund.	Cooper Memorial, College Library.	Waitsburg Academy and Dormitory.	Life Membership in W. G. M. Soc.	Women's Board.	Total.
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TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Secretary of the Women's General Missionary Society.

We have the honor to present to this Twelfth Annual Convention of the Women's General Missionary Society the eleventh report of the Recording Secretary, giving the history from the adjournment of the Convention of 1894. The President elected at that time, Mrs. Dr. W. S. Stewart, of Philadelphia, declining the honor of the appointment, it was then tendered to Mrs. W. W. Barr of Philadelphia, who, hesitatingly, on account of ill health, accepted, and has filled the office since that time. The Vice Presidents and all officers elected at that Convention have served since their appointment and are in active service today.

The blanks for the annual Presbyterial and Congregational reports both Home and Foreign, were mailed in February to the respective secretaries and were returned in due time full of figures and notes of and explanation and in some cases of apology, for the Presbyterial Secretary have more trouble in securing their reports than the General Secretary, they knowing how it delays the work to neglect sending as early as possible. There is little or no cause for complaint this year, some of the reports being almost perfect. The result we think of continuing a competent Secretary in office. It is of course understood that all Presbyterial reports are audited after being received by the General Secretary, and all societies not having reported are carried by giving the number of members reported the previous year. On this point we ask for advice. How long shall a society be carried without reporting? The custom has been to carry two years but there is no authority for this action.

There is a disposition on the part of Presbyterial Secretaries to report to the Educational and Thank-offering fund, throwing the responsibility of reporting to general society on General Secretary, who has no authority to report contributions to any object not mentioned in the heading of the blanks, but sympathising with the desire to make a good showing financially, and in order to have this matter emphasized, we present for discussion and action the following memorial:—

April 18th, 1895.

The Missionary Society of the Second Church, New Concord, Ohio, would respectfully ask your honorable body to take such steps as may be necessary for reporting annually in the statistical tables of Missionary Societies, the amounts given by each Society, as Thank-offering. Signed by Corresponding Secretary of society, Miss Angie Larimer.

Thank-offerings to the amount of $1,025.21 have been reported from Egypt, Wheeling, First Ohio, Detroit, Los Angelos, San Francisco, Pittsburg, Kansas, Big Spring, Indiana, Caledonia Illinois Southern and Oregon, also contributions to Educational work and the quota of Church Boards. None of these items are included in the Statistical report of this Society for 1894 and 1895.

Of the sixty-two Presbyteries in the church reports have been received from sixty, representing fifty-four Presbyterial Associations and six Congregational Associations; two Congregational Associations, Boston and Vermont, having failed to report, these are carried by number of members reported previously. Eighteen new societies are reported one each from the Presbyteries of Monmouth, Philadelphia, Argyle, N. W. Iowa, Rhode Island, Los Angelos, Tennessee, Butler and Illinois Southern, two from Allegheny, three from Lake and four from Conemaugh Presbyteries. In all eight hundred and ninety seven societies numbering twenty thousand, three hundred and seventy-five members are reported, and some of the presbyterial secretaries acting under the impression that the junior societies were not to be reported to the General Secretary failed to do so and consequently the number of members is lowered, although 2,232 of a gain is reported this year, making 20,375 members of the Women's General Missionary Society. The number of magazines reported taken is only 4,172 being 302 less than the previous year. This may be partly owing to a misprint in the heading of the Magazine column, making it read, "Women's Missionary Work" instead of "Women's Missionary Magazine." This error was not detected in time to be righted, but notes were sent to the Presbyterial Secretaries asking for the number of Magazines where they had not been reported, and in almost every case the number is reported.

Contributions for the year ending April 15, 1895, are as follows:

Foreign Missions	$14,944 00
Home Missions	7,837 00
Freedmen's Missions	4,374 00
Church Extension and Parsonage Fund	2,395 00
Ministerial Relief	473 00
District Work	2,766 00
Congregational Work	16,163 00
Contingent	1,986 00
Orphan's Home	$ 622 00
Memorial Hospital	431 00
Aged People's Home	745 00
	52,736 00
Number of boxes, 857 Estimated value	8,914 00
Grand total	61,650 00

A decrease of $926 in regular contributions and of $610 in grand total contributions.

Contributions to the Foreign, Home District Work and Memorial Hospital were greater than reported in 1894. "Congregational work" reports a decrease of only $11.00. in contributions amounting to $16,163. These figures show that the pledges of the women of the church are being faithfully kept, and it is a testimony to the christian women of our church that during the widespread financial distress that has affected the affairs of almost every family in the land that the cause of Christ has not been left to suffer by want of any personal sacrifices that have been made. The comparison of figures will prove this statement.

The contributions of 1893-94 to the five regular Boards of the Church were $29,957. The contributions of 1894-95 to the five regular Boards of the Church were $30,023, an increase of $66.00. In these times of financial depression this amount represents unusual effort and an earnest devotion to the cause of missions.

Greetings have been received from Sialkot Presbytery in India, to the Women's General Missionary Society. "The sisters in India who are assembled in Presbyterial meeting at Pasrur, send greeting and ask you to read Isaiah 9:2.

"The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light; they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined."

Two invitations have been received, one from Chillicothe Presbytery, Cherry Fork, Ohio, dated March 29, 1895, and

one from Erie Presbytery, dated April 10, 1895.

In accordance with the action of Princeton Convention of 1894, the amendments to the charter by-laws then presented will be taken up for final action at this Convention. The real estate devised to the Women's General Missionary Society, situated on Mount Washington, Pittsburg, Pa., is still held by the Board.

Three Life Members have been received this year—Mrs. D. S. Little, Misses Belle and Fanny Wright.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY. W. Porter.
Secretary.

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF

Contingent Fund of Women's General Missionary Society and Board of Directors.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand April 16th, 1894	$ 31 30	
Collection at Princeton, Indiana	20 03	
Balance in Minutes Fund 1893, by Dr. Carson	12 40	
Presbyterial Societies	46 80	
Thank Offering Committee	177 39	
Bill for Printing Refunded	2 50	
Magazine to Scotland	84	
General Assembly's Fund	5 00	
Responsive Service, 1259 Copies	5 27	
Intrest from Investments	899 50	
Interest on Bank Deposits	618 10	
Rent of Room for Board	85 00	$ 1,904 13

DISBURSEMENTS.

Executive Committee of Princeton Convention	$ 9 55	
Traveling Expenses, &c., of Officers to Convention	80 83	
Foreign and Domestic Postage, Stationery and Printing for Board	191 80	
Minutes for 1894	627 62	
Thank Offering Committee	100 82	
Rent of Room for Board	175 00	
Interest on Funds in Trust	60 00	
Railroad Agent	11 00	
Auditor	50 00	
General Assembly's Fund	5 00	
Other Contingencies	16 24	$ 1,327 86
Balance on hand April 16th, 1895		$ 576 2

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. SLOAN, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE

Recording Secretary of the Board of Directors.

The reorganization of the Board of Directors took place June 5, 1894. The following officers were elected to serve for one year:

President—Mrs. Annie R. Herron.

First Vice President—Miss E. D. Brown.

Second Vice President—Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. Mary W. Porter.

Treasurer—Miss E. J. Sloan.

Corresponding Secretary Foreign Work—Mrs. Mary B. Reid.

Corresponding Secretary of Home Work—Mrs. E. M. Campbell.

Corresponding Secretary Freedmen—Dr. C. J. Vincent.

Corresponding Secretary of Church Extension and Parsonage Fund—Mrs. N. H. I. Stewart.

Secretary Thank Offering—Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter.

Secretary Junior Work—Mrs. Jennie H. Gillespie.

Secretary Literature—Mrs. Annie R. Herron.

The Executive Committee to consist of officers of the Board, with the addition of Mrs. M. M. Patterson and Mrs. W. H. McMillan.

Finance Committee—Mrs. H. C. Campbell, Miss E. J. Sloan and Mrs. Jennie H. Gillespie.

Fourteen meetings of the Board were held during the year, eleven being regular monthly meetings.

The regular meetings are called for 10 A. M. and usually adjourn at 5:30 P. M., the time required for hearing and discussing the reports often requiring a second meeting during the month.

Foreign Secretary's report will show that four new missionaries have been sent to the foreign field this year, including Dr. Mary A. Platter, medical missionary, to India. A farewell meeting in honor of these ladies was held in Allegheny City, Pa. They sailed October 10, 1894.

Constant correspondence is carried on in reference to the capabilities of candidates for this field, the utmost care being taken to secure women of earnest christian purpose with the education and health necessary for teaching and life in the foreign missionary stations.

A request was received from the Presbyterial Women in Egypt that we join with them at 9 o'clock each evening during the coming year in a concert of prayer for the enlightenment and conversion of the Mohammedans and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the missionaries and on the whole evangelical church in Egypt.

A sanitarium in Egypt for use of missionaries in hot weather is under contemplation. This has long been needed and many friends of the missionaries will be glad to hear that their hopes are likely to be realized in the near future. It is a necessity that missionaries on their vacation be comfortably taken care of in order that their rest may be a benefit to them. The endowment of Dr. Johnston's hospital at Jhelum, the placing of one of our medical missionaries on the Board at the Inter Mission Medical School at Lodianna, in India, thus securing official representation on the Board, the assuming of the entire medical work in

Egypt, with the resolution to send out four new missionaries this year and to educate six assistants to our medical missions are some of the results of the Secretary's work in this department.

The Home Mission Secretary reports monthly from the Home Mission Stations of Topeka, Tacoma, Sioux City, San Francisco, Altoona, Alameda, Oakland, San Jose and the Warm Springs Indian Stations; gives the number of meetings held, calls made, etc. The success of this work depends largely on the personal visiting of persons having no church connection or who are asked and urged by these missionaries to come to the mission which they represent and to send their children to the Sabbath school. The success attending the labors of these women have been much appreciated by the pastors with whom they labor. Many applications are received for this valuable assistance.

FREEDMENS' DEPARTMENT.

This department reports monthly from southern fields of Chase City, Norfolk, Va., Henderson, N. C., Knoxville, Tenn., and Prairie Bluff, Ala.

The reports of the educational and industrial schools of this mission are always full of interest. They report monthly the number of calls made by bible readers, the number of garments made and sold and the balances in the treasury.

The work done by the Board in this department includes the building of a school house at Athens, Tenn., at a cost of $2,050, also a parsonage at Millers Ferry at a cost of $860, including furnishing, and also assumed the furnishing of the dormitory at Knoxville, Tenn. Quite a number of rooms of which have been furnished by societies and individuals at a cost of $1,424.52. Nine rooms are furnished. The Board also furnished the sewing and dressmaking rooms at Knoxville at a cost of $70.

The President and Treasurer of our Board were appointed to visit the Knoxville and its connections at the dedication of the new building. The Treasurer being detained at home Mrs. M. M. Patterson accompanied Mrs. Herron. They made a visit to each of the mission stations, had a pleasant visit with the mission teachers and scholars and have given a report to the Board full of information and suggestions that could only be gained by a personal visit.

The Church Extension and Parsonage Fund Secretary presents a monthly report of notes maturing and matters pertaining to the property held by the Board. Has a busy time with mortgages, insurance, etc.; securing good endorsements for loans, every month brings applications for money which we would gladly loan if we had more money in this department.

JUNIOR MISSIONARY WORK.

This department being only in the third year of its existence was deprived by death from pneumonia, in January, of its efficient secretary, Mrs. Jennie H. Gillespie, whose loss is severely felt by this Board. The office was tendered to Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson, the friend and co-worker of Mrs. Gillespie, and was accepted by her. She has since that time prosecuted the work, and under the direction of the Board has issued circulars, blanks, etc., making monthly reports to the Board.

The Thank Offering and Literature Secretaries both report monthly to the Board of their respective transactions.

Thank Offering department reports sending out Thank Offering envelopes and boxes. The mailing of the Minutes of 1893 and 1894 was in charge of the Literature Committee, who will

make a report to this Convention of the number distributed. They also send all leaflets, tracts, &c., published by this Board.

In summing up the work of the Board of Directors for the year 1894 and 1895 we can say that we feel that the work is being blessed in that the interest manifested in every department has so greatly increased—particularly in the regular mission work of the church. The second death to occur in the history of the Board was that of our dear friend, Mrs. Jennie H. Gillespie, our first Junior Missionary Secretary and a woman beloved by us all. She sleeps in Jesus.

The vacancy in the Board was filled by the election of Mrs. M. J. Stevenson, of Westmoreland Presbytery, and was accepted by her.

The term of office of Mrs. J. M. Stewart, Conemaugh Presbytery, Mrs. J. A. Grier, Allegheny Presbytery, Mrs. N. H. I. Stewart, Westmoreland Presbytery, and Mrs. Mary W. Porter, Monongahela Presbytery, and Miss Elizabeth D. Brown, Monongahela Presbytery expires with this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY W. PORTER,

Recording Secretary.

REPORT OF THE

Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Department.

Another year of work has slipped away and those of us who have occupied places of trust, by appointment of the General Missionary Society, stand before this convention to answer the question, not "Watchman, what of the night?" but "Watchman, what of the work?" If our General Missionary Society were a drowsy one, we might simply reply, "All's well" and go on our beaten track for another year, but we are sure that ours is too wide awake a society to be satisfied with any such answer, and we are glad to give you an account of our stewardship, even though it be marked by failures and remissness in duty.

The past year, which has been crowned with many mercies and blessings, has not been without its trials, its encouragements and discouragements, both in the home and in foreign lands, but may we not truly say, "All's well," when the work has gone steadily on in spite of the financial depression which has caused the strictest economy in hundreds of homes that the Lord's treasury might not be empty. We are sure that the Father's eye has rested lovingly upon all those who have labored so hard to keep good the pledges made for the carrying on of His work.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Therefore it is with unusual satisfaction that we report that the contributions of the past year have fallen little short of more prosperous ones. This is the financial record of receipts and disbursements:

Total amount of money contributed by missionary societies for foreign work during the past year $20,794.35. This includes thankoffering and the small sum of $376.41 which the Board of Foreign Missions kindly credited to its account with your Board, it having been received direct from a few missionary societies and it has been reckoned in with our disbursements. Balance from previous year $10,330.16. Entire resources for foreign work $31,124.51.

Disbursements have been as follows:

On salaries of Missionary Women	$ 9,600 00
Schools in Egypt	563 50
Schools in India	806 21
Zenana Work Egypt	296 41
Zenana Work India	1,227 00
Zafarwal and other native churches	276 41
Outfit of new Missionaries	300 00
Traveling Expenses of Missionaries.	1,901 76
Medical work	2,121 69
Miscellaneous specials	102 08
*Work among Syrians	657 00
Balance	13,272 45
	$31,124 51

*This work is provided for by special fund.

It is with great satisfaction that we report that your Board was enabled to equip and send out last year the four young women, who offered themselves for service in our foreign fields. A more joyful and enthusiastic party we have never seen, than the missionaries who left the home land last October. The new missionaries were Miss Nannie Spencer, Miss Edith Fulton, Miss Minnehaha Finney, aud Dr. Mary A. Platter. They are all making a good record for themselves and progressing well in the acquiring of difficult languages: and as they see the great needs of the fields, they are adding their voices to the earnest pleadings for more workers.

The school and Zenana work, which has received such liberal support from many societies as shown by disbursements of money seems to have made most commendable progress, the full results of which will be made more and more manifest as Egypt and India shall become thoroughly permeated with gospel truth.

WORK FOR THE COMING YEAR.

Doubtless the women of the church have noticed in our denominational papers and the magazine, the appeal from India for more missionaries. This appeal was sent to the Board of Foreign Missions and the Women's Board. We had thought that we had a sufficient list of volunteers from which to choose recruits this year, but since sifting it down through the net of required qualifications, and the double screen of good health and good eyes, it has proved inadequate to the number of missionary women that we hope to send out this fall.

Three of the long experienced workers must come home this season for the needed rest and the burden of their work must fall upon shoulders, which already have more than can be borne with safety to health and strength. There is call for six or eight new missionary women but your Board dare not undertake to send out more than four recruits this year without a considerable increase of funds for that purpose. There are such ever increasing demands in advancing the work that, in complying with requests that have been made this year, requests which will make such large drafts upon the foreign funds in our treasury we feel that every step must be taken with extreme caution lest debt be incurred.

A NEW DEMAND UPON OUR TREASURY.

Heretofore the medical work, supported by the women of the church, has been wholly confined to India. A few years ago, however, Dr. L. M. Henry, a man possessed of a true missionary spirit, went to Egypt under the auspices of the board of Foreign Missions and opened work at Assiout, in which he has been most successful. Recently the Board of Foreign Missions offered to turn this work over to your Board. It may be remembered by some, that, when the subject of medical work was being agitated in the church and the matter was placed before the General Assembly, that body gave medical work as a special depart-

ment to the women of the church. Thus, when there was an offer made to turn the work in Egypt over to your Board, it was thought advisable not to reject it. The work has been largely self supporting and as there has not been time to investigate, we are not prepared to say what will be the extra expense, but suffice it for the present to say that bye and bye a hospital will be needed to make more effectual the good work which has been so well begun. There are no funds for this purpose now in our treasury, but we hope, through individual contributions and some extra funds, to soon start a nucleus for this worthy object, and that in due time a good hospital may be an established fact at Assiout.

Another demand upon our treasury will appear in a matter set forth in a paper prepared by Dr. Sophie E. Johnson on Medical Missions and Zenana work, which will be published in Magazine. It is the question of training young women in a christian school for nurses, compounders and hospital assistants. We think that you will appreciate the great need, and we trust this convention will most heartily endorse the action of your Board in consenting to provide for at least one set of assistants for Sialkot and Jhelum; also in the contributing of the sum necessary to secure a manager in said school. This matter opens up a wide field of usefulness for native christian women, as well as being an incentive to seek a higher education which will turn them in the channels of teaching, and in the end win for them a respect and position a long way in advance of anything that has hitherto come to the lot of women in India.

We ask the members of this convention to give careful heed to the needs of the work for the coming year, and when you return to your homes and meet with your societies, we ask you to present to them the new objects of work to which we have called your attention, and as the Lord has blessed you as givers in the past may He add greater blessings, both temporal and spiritual, as you lend an increase of your substance to His treasury, a treasury which shall help to establish the kingdom of righteousness and to destroy the powers of darkness.

If we could only realize the condition of the many, many millions, who are imprisoned in Satan's stronghold of heathenism, and see how the fortress walls are gradually weakening from foundation to their top before the siege of the christian host I am sure we would all press forward with greater zeal and courage to the breaking down of every barrier and the setting free of the enslaved millions to become subjects of the King, whose scepter is love, and whose banner is peace and truth.

Respectfully submitted with brief subjoined reports from our foreign fields.

MARY B. REID.

Egypt.

Report of work among women for 1895, by Ella O. Kyle.

ALEXANDRIA.

Mrs. S. C. Ewing, who has had charge of the work among women in this city, reports: "Four bible teachers have been employed during the year, and instuction has been given to 127 women. The desire shown alike by Christians, Jews and Mohammedans is very encouraging."

TANTA.

Mrs. J. K. Giffen says: "No regular hareem work has been done here.

Seven women attend the Sabbath morning service and four attend the Sabbath-school. The subscriptions and Sabbath contributions of the women have amounted during the past year to $25.00. The girls' school is prospering, its enrollment for the year has been 171."

MANSOORA.

Of the bible work, Mrs. Finney writes: "A number of things combined kept me from thoroughly overseeing the Zenana work here. First, it was to get settled in our new home and then the daily school work and bad weather. We have but one bible woman, and she teaches seventy women, the greater part of whom are Copts, the remainder is made up of Protestants, Jewesses and Greek Catholics. They all seem much interested in their lessons, and are delighted when advanced enough to begin on the New Testament. There has been a constant, steady sowing of the seed, and Wurda, the bible woman, has worked very faithfully throughout the year. We are sorry to say that her health is becoming impaired, probably by the constant climbing of stairs.

"We have been greatly dissapointed that more of the women cannot be induced to attend the Sabbath services and prayer-meetings. If they were of the lower class they might be more easily pursuaded to come out; but we trust the reading and hearing of the word explained may be blessed to their salvation."

ZAGAZIG.

Mr. and Mrs. Kruidenier have so recently settled in this place, that the work has barely opened yet. A bible woman has worked only about two months. Mr. Kruidenier has a Wednesday afternoon bible class for women, and there have been as many as eight present. Average attendance of women upon the Sabbath service four. It is hoped, when a more central place for worship is obtained, that there will be increased interest.

BENHA

Is another new station, opened by Rev. and Mrs. Murch since their return from America, and we will hope for a good report of work from there next year.

CAIRO.

The work in this large city is divided into three districts. Miss Smith, who has charge of Haret Es-Sakkeen and Fum El Khaleeg, says: "It is with much gratitude that we review the past year's work among women in our district. Although there have been trials and discouragements, yet as the year draws to a close, we realize more than formerly that the Master has been present with us. We have had five teachers most of the year, but the work has been retarded somewhat, by illness of some of them. In one part of our district there is a disreputable narrow little street, where only Mohammedans of the lower class live. I had visited this street a number of times and in one house, after a good deal of laughing and jeering on the part of the inmates, I was permitted to read the Scriptures, and succeeded in persuading one of the women to take lessons, but when the bible woman went alone to this place, she was not received.

It was said that the police had told them that we intended to force them to be baptized and become Christians. Though this house has been closed against us, several others have opened up in that street, and the little girls are now sent to our school. Many of the women are inquiring

about spiritual things and a larger number than formerly attend the church services. Of the 197 women taking lessons, 140 are able to read the bible intelligently. There have been some professions of faith; others might have come out on the side of Christ, had they not been prevented by relatives. Some of the cases were of unusual interest. One who took lessons at the first of last year, and afterwards became a teacher in the school, died in July. We have hope that she is now with the redeemed. Another who has publicly professed her faith is doing good work as a bible teacher. 440 women have heard the word read and explained by the bible teachers. Every morning before starting to their work, the bible women meet for prayer and a scripture lesson, in which they are joined by the teachers of the school. The women's prayer-meetings have been much interfered with by sickness and death in families. The mourning customs keep many away from the house of God and from reaching the gate of heaven.

Fum El Kaleeg is a village near Cairo, to which a bible teacher goes twice a week. She has a class of eight earnest pupils. A weekly prayer-meeting is also held here. Near this village some Beduoin Arabs are quartered, whom we have found very attentive listeners as the truth was presented. Occasional visits have been made to five or six other neighboring villages. I have tried to keep an account of my own visits since the second week of September. Although I have sometimes forgotten to make a memorandum, I find recorded 469 visits, an average of six visits per day.

Although the attendance has not been good as formerly at the Missionary Society Meetings, the contributions are quite creditable, $61.22."

Miss Anna Y. Thompson, who has charge of the other two districts, Esebekieh and Boulac, writes: "Fourteen teachers have been employed in house visitation and giving lessons. Whole number enrolled as receiving lessons, 551, an increase of forty-one over the former year, the larger part of the increase belonged to Boulac. Many of the pupils are Moslems, who have taken lessons at different times during the year. One bible teacher has been particularly zealous in getting women to attend the two prayer-meetings held in her neighborhood; she has also succeeded in securing some Moslem pupils. There seems to be a greater willingness on the part of Moslem women to listen than formerly, and both Copts and Mohammedans are more desirous of learning to pray than they once were.

About $20 has been received from women taking lessons and others desiring to give something to the missionary society. The bible women seem to have been very faithful in their work during the past year. A weekly prayer-meeting has been held in the Esebekieh boarding school for the girls and some women have attended these meetings. Mrs. Harvey, Mrs. Watson and Mrs. Giffen have each done much good service in house visitation."

SINORIS.

Rev. Shenooda Hanna says: "The work among the women of this place has been most encouraging during the past year. The elder Zadrus has had great success in teaching them. The prayer-meetings are well attended, and the women are ready to take part in the exercises."

Miss Thompson visited Sinoris in November and was able to see in their homes the most of the women taught by Hag Zadrus, the bible teacher. While there, the Coptic priest, who

has done so much to stir the people up to attend their own church service, invited her to conduct a prayer-meeting for women, which she consented to do after some hesitation. At the appointed time the next morning she went to the Coptic church being joined on the way by the before mentioned priest and another one and a little group of women. The meeting was held in the main part of the church, where about 80 women sat on mats on the floor, the priests and Miss Thompson alone occupying chairs. The subject chosen was "Ye are not your own, therefore glorify God." When called on, the head priest led in prayer and made some good remarks; also two women present offered prayer. It was pleasing to learn that, of the women able to lead in prayer, four or five are taking lessons from our bible teacher.

Mrs. Ashenhurst reports as follows from her district, which extends from Beni Souef to Nazah El Ganonb: "There are not many women in this district who are able to read and I do not know that any are taking lessons. Mr. Ashenhurst urged upon the last women who were received, the duty of learning to read: we heard of one buying a book, but do not know that she went any further. Two weekly prayer-meetings for women are held. There is a fairly good school for girls at Beni Souef, and El Feshr would gladly have one if a teacher could be procured.

I have visited most of the places in our district twice during the year, but cannot say that much progress has been made, as much of the time most of the places have been without even a preacher."

The pastor at Mellawi says: "We have no special teacher for the women, but they are advancing in a knowledge of divine things. A young girl conducts a weekly prayer meeting for women and has offered to be a bible teacher." At Hoor a blind girl reads to the women before and after the church services; she has taught other blind girls to read. At Beni Aadi it is the custom in the women's prayer-meetings to memorize scripture and some have committed over 120 verses in this way. While few can read, yet they understand parts of the bible pretty well. At Jawily the pastor reports the work among the women more encouraging than among the men, both in listening to the preached word and attendance upon the church service.

ASSIOUT.

Since Miss McKown's withdrawal from the field, Miss Hogg has been responsible for the Zenana work. She reports as follows: "Women's work in Assiout is carried on by house visitation, in the medical office by an evangelist, by prayer meetings and attendance upon church services. Three bible women devote all their time to this work. One of these teachers is a middle aged widow, and while not a brilliant scholar, she is an earnest Christian. The other two are both blind, one of whom is such an enthusiastic worker that she has almost to be checked lest in her zeal she over-work herself. The pastor's wife is an invaluable helper and does as much as her family cares will permit. During the early part of the year Miss McKown did regular visiting among the houses, but now no missionary is specially set apart to this work; however all the missionary ladies devote as much of their time to house visitation as their other duties will permit. At his medical office, Dr. Henry has a native evangelist, who daily reads and explains the scriptures to about thirty women as they are waiting their turn for treatment. Many of them are ignorant village women, and they gladly hear his explanation of the word. At

church and in prayer-meetings, the pastor presents the truth in plain language, adapting himself to his audience, and as these services are largely attended we trust and believe a great work is going on.

Among the discouragements one has always to mention the coldness of some, and the tendency of others to cling to old and sinful customs, especially those connected with death, but progress there has been. The women are progressing not only in reading but in bible knowledge, and their questions and answers show more and more intelligence.

Among Protestants, and even where one of the couple is a Copt, it is becoming the custom to perform the marriage ceremony on a week day instead of the Sabbath. Another encouragement is the gradual breaking up of the old severe mourning customs. The prescribed forty days of weeping and wailing have been curtailed to fourteen, and even seven days, and in several Protestant homes it has been altogether abolished.

The term of seclusion after marriage is also being lessened, and in time that will doubtless disappear. Again it is becoming the rule, not the exception, to send the girls to school. Women who have attended school are very careful to see that their daughters get a good education, and in other ways they show an appreciation of the advantages they themselves have enjoyed.

Professions of faith are increasing among the women, and at every communion there are several who unite with the church. Many Coptic women have been spiritually helped by the earnestness of our Christians, and say that they prefer listening to our preacher rather than their own priests."

The pastor of the congregation at Benoob, says: "That he has been much encouraged by the advancement the women have made in spiritual knowledge. The first year one women promised to hold a prayer-meeting for the women once a week, at which there has been an average attendance of fifteen. Another promised to teach the women in her own house and bring them to church. These women have raised money to the amount of $10 to help on the work in other places."

The upper Nile district includes Luxor and extends to Assouan. Of it Mr. Nichol writes: "The bible woman, who used to be at Bahjura, has returned to her own village, and the blind boy who taught the women at Luxor has become an instructor in a Coptic school; so at present no instruction is being given the women beyond what they receive from the preacher and evangelists.

At Bahjura the work was very interesting last year, the evangelist being admitted to many houses where no entrance was permitted hitherto, and the attendance of the women upon the Sabbath morning service was also better than ever before.

At Keneh the evangelist has been very faithful. A widow in one of the rich families asked Mrs. Nichol to come and read to her. The invitation was accepted, and thus Mrs. Nichol had the privilege of reading not only to her, but others mourning with her, the beautiful 14th chapter of John.

Special meetings for women are held at Assouan, Luxor, Keneh and Bahjura, and would that the work that is being done in these stations were being done in all the twenty stations of this district."

Report has been made of nearly all of the stations where special work for women has been done and, as with unanimous voice, all tell of encouragements from every part of the field. Teachers are wanted everywhere; hearts and homes are open and ready to receive the truth. In summing the reports, we can truly say that worthy

effort has been put forth for the planting of the good seed. God has given the increase, to Him belongs the glory.

Hareem Work.

SUMMARY.	1893.	1894.
No. of stations where special work is done for women.	66	52
No. of stations where women attend the ordinary religious services .	116	114
No of female communicants . . .	1,700	1,939
No. of special hareem workers, men 10 and women 30.	43	40
No. of native agents (pastors etc.) whose preaching is attended by women	52	54
No. of regular pupils of hareem workers	1.320	1,872
Attendance at Prayer-meeting per month for women alone	1,108	1,722
Attendance of women (2492) and girls (699) at ordinary Sabbath services	3,119	3,191
Attendance of women at night meetings	1,003	884
Attendance of girls at day school .	2,312	2,302
Attendance of women (1,080) and girls (691) at Sabbath school . .	2,082	1,171
No. of Women's Missionary Societies	4	4
Membership of Women's Missionary Societies (115) women, (141) girls	262	256
Contributions of Women's Missionary Societies	$ 189	$ 210

Hareem work is carried on by bible teachers teaching the women or reading to them in their homes and by special prayer-meetings in the medical office and from the pulpit and we give a compilation of reports as contributed from different places between Alexandria and Assouan, *the field.*

We are sorry not to have received reports of any of the girl's schools in Egypt, especially sorry as they are under the superversion of our lady missionaries; but from private sources we know that during the past year they have been full to overflowing and that most excellent work is being done.

Miss Jessie I. Hogg, who for a number of years has successfully superintended the Girls' Boarding School at Assiout, has been granted a leave of absence from March to the early autumn. Miss Buchanan in the meantime fills the place of principal as well as she can.

A recent visitor at Cairo reported, "It would do the hearts of the women at home good to see the interesting school for girls in this strange old city. Miss Kyle is certainly one woman in the right place."

Seven of the older girls in this school recently made profession of their faith in Christ.

Zenana Work in India.

GURDASPUR.

The Miss Wilsons are located here. The report given of the work among women is as follows:

"Number of bible women employed nine, but the work of only six is reported. Collectively they have made 5456 visits and read the bible to 208,583 hearers. During the last year 107 villages have been visited by ourselves and we have given 846 lessons to christians in 116 places. The gospel message has also been given to 4783 in 669 other places.

Encouragements. Usually we find the people glad to receive us, they do not argue as much as formerly, and we are asked to come often. It used to be that they got tired of seeing us if we made frequent visits.

During the summer, we could not visit in the villages as often as we would have liked, and it made our hearts sad that we could not comply with the often repeated request, 'Come soon again.' In one of the large villages where we were reading and explaining the scriptures to a crowd of women, they said, 'Tell us plainly about the way of life, you are well read and know all about it.' In several places

the christian women took the trouble to come to us at night for instruction and in two places enquirers came with the christians for worship and instruction. Where the teachers have been faithful good progress has been made in learning the truth.

These are some of the discouragements of our work: (a) We see the village women only once in a long while and though they may be roused up to do and desire better things for a time, they soon fall back into their old ways, and when chided say, 'How can we remember what you say when you come to us so seldom;' (b) the women are so often told by men that they cannot understand anything, that they have really come to believe that they are like cattle and there is no use in trying to learn; (c) the state of morals is so very low that few realize what sin is, therefore no need of a Saviour is felt.

Our work would be very much more permanent if we had more schools. If the children were properly instructed they would influence the parents, the children are our brightest and most interested learners and we often see verified the words, 'a little child shall lead them.'"

EAST GUJRANWALA.

Miss Rose McCullough and Miss Mary E. Logan are located in this centre.

The report of work among women shows number of bible women employed six; number of visits collectively made by them, 7,313; number of towns and villages visited by the missionary ladies, forty-seven; number of visits made to houses, 480.

It is impossible to accurately know how many are attentive hearers, but we usually have large audiences wherever we go.

Three weekly prayer meetings were kept up among the christian women which took some time from the house visiting. In all of our village prayer meetings the interest has been greater and the attendance quite as good, if not better than last year.

Some women who had been in the habit of attending remained away and gave as a reason that they did not wish to become christians, and if they came to prayer-meeting they would surely become christians.

We have been somewhat hindered in our work the past year by sickness, also we were called in from the district a month earlier. Because of the invasion of the Reformed Presbyterians we were obliged to return to look after the city work.

SIALKOT.

City and district work reported by Miss Mary Martin.

"Bible women employed, two; Mary Anne whole time. Mrs. Shahbaz has worked eight and a half months, only asking that her expenses be paid. Rakkhi was out in camp with me three and a half weeks.

Mrs. Shahbaz has twenty houses on her visiting list to which she goes weekly. She has made 300 visits in these houses, and had 900 hearers as she read and explained the bible. Besides this, we have made casual visits to fifteen or more other houses.

Mrs. Shahbaz also has had charge of and spent much time in a girls' school in one of the low caste quarters of the city. The most of the pupils are christians.

This school retrograded somewhat during the summer, but now has an enrollment of twelve and is doing very well. Another small school of the same kind has lately been started in another part of the city, but it is not yet well established.

Mary Anne has spent more than half of her time between two heathen

schools, one a Hindu and the other a Mohammedan.

During the summer I also spent much time on these same schools, but in spite of all our efforts neither are in the condition that we would like to see them. It is very difficult to secure competent women teachers. However, we hope some good has been done. The enrollment of the Hindu school was thirty-three, and the Mohammedan forty-five.

Mary Anne has also made 233 visits in 192 Mohammedan houses, and 132 in eighty-seven Hindu houses. Of these, sixty-five Mohammedan and twenty-seven Hindu are new ones opened during the year. Altogether, about 720 visits have been made in the different houses.

As mentioned before, Rakkhi was with me in camp a little over three weeks. The remainder of the time I was out alone. Forty-four villages were visited, seventeen of them for the first time. In these villages ninety-five visits were made to christians and inquirers; eighty-two to purely heathen people, though heathen are often met as we went to see christians.

As to encouragements and discouragements we have nothing special to report though we meet with plenty of both."

JHELUM.

The Zenana work is reported by Miss Elizabeth G. Gordon.

"Two bible women, Mrs. James and Marion Rahim Khan have been working in Jhelum City. Mrs. James has visited in seventy-two homes chiefly Mohammedan, fifty-eight of them were newly opened this year. In these homes she has given 159 bible readings, and sixty-nine reading lessons besides presenting the gospel to many persons as they sat in groups at their daily work out of doors in the sunshine. Recently a Mohammedan woman among the old Zenanas professed to believe on Christ, and she wished to be baptized. Mrs. James has fewer Zenanas on her list this year than last. Not that any are closed against her, but she has been visiting a part of the city which has been neglected for several years for the want of an efficient worker.

Marion Rahim Khan has worked in Naya Mahalla, a new ward separate from the old part of the city. She has visited in forty-nine houses all Mohammedan. She has been well received and has given 253 bible readings and lessons in these homes.

The first of the year, or on February 6th, a bright, intelligent middle aged Mohammedan woman ran away from her father-in-law and came to us, saying that she wished to become a christtian. We received her into our house, took care of her diligently taught her in the bible, and prayed with her until the last of March when she suddenly disappeared, and we then learned that her design had been simply to receive baptism, which according to Mohammedan law would divorce her from a husband who had two other wives besides herself, thus she would be free to marry some one else.

This woman had learned a good deal about christianity from ladies with whom she had met, and as she appeared very teachable we had begun to hope that she would be a good helper in our work. You can imagine our disappointment when the deception was discovered, yet we have this comfort that the word of the Lord which had been taught her cannot return unto Him void.

Gulabday, an aged widow of some intelligence, came and sat by us one day as we read to the women in a narrow street. To the passers by she would say, 'Come, sit down and listen to the reading of the word, we may never have such an opportunity again. Jesus born of a virgin is the Saviour of

sinners.' Of course we were pleased with her interest, but our pleasure was soon spoiled by her turning right around and praising her Guru Nanok. This was not strange as she had been taught about Nanok from a child and she had heard but little of Christ. May the time be not far distant when the truth shall have made a deeper impression not only on the mind of Gulabday but thousands of her heathen sisters."

BHERA.

Dr. S. E. Johnson reports of Zenana work, among the heathen, as follows:

"We began the year with five bible women, but during the hot weather two had to be dismissed.

EMILY PATTERSON has had sixty Zenanas open to her during the year, and she has read the bible with some regularity to 500 women.

NURE DAUD has worked as bible reader in connection with the Bhera Dispensary.

LYDIA STEVENSON, of Kata, has had so much sickness in her family that she has not been able to accomplish much in her village.

At the annual meeting of the association held last October, Rev. Thakar was transferred to Bhera, and we are glad to say that Mrs. Thakar has taken charge of the Zenana work in that city."

Schools.

Of the Girls' Boarding School at Sialkot, Miss Marion Embleton writes:

"During the first three months of the year, Miss McCahon continued in charge of the school, and I was appointed her assistant. At the end of that time her health had become so impaired that absolute rest seemed the only thing to be thought of for her, so the school was put under the care of Miss Wilson and myself.

We had an enrollment of seventy-two pupils. At the April examinations most of the girls passed well and some were promoted. A number received prizes for excellence in bible study. The school was kept open up to about the middle of August, when all repaired to their homes for the Summer vacation. After our annual meeting in October studies were again resumed, and from this time I was alone in charge of the school, Miss Wilson having returned to her own district. The work has gone on steadily. There are some bright girls in the school who are making good progess, others are not so promising.

Miss McCahon has put the best years of her life in this school, and she has accomplished a work of great importance. It was with sad hearts and tearful eyes, that her girls bade her goodbye, as she left them to seek health in the home land. They have however given to Miss M. J. Campbell, who has now been appointed to the charge of the school a most hearty welcome. It is almost a matter of certainty that a work which has been so well begun will grow and increase in good results."

Gujranwala City Girls' Schools.

REPORTED BY REV. E. L. PORTER.

"During 1894 there were more than four hundred names on the rolls of the main school and the different branches. Two of the branches are just outside the city walls and are especially for the Christian girls of the sweeper villages. One of these branches has only been in existence for a little over a year and has been kept up under difficulties on account of there being no building for it. A piece of land has been bought, however, and there will soon be a schoolhouse on it. The agents of the R. P. Mission started an opposition

school in the other sweeper village and tried to break up our school; but, though it gave some annoyance, the effort ended in failure and they closed their school. These two branches are a great aid to the Sabbath school, as the Sabbath school lesson is taught through the week and the girls come well prepared on Sabbath.

The main school and branches inside the city walls consist almost entirely of heathen girls. There are, however, some christian girls in the main school and they are among the best scholars. An English class has been started for their benefit, that they may have access to the christian literature of the English language.

Three girls passed from the normal or high department during the year. One of these received a Senior First Grade certificate, which entitles her to be the head mistress of a Middle School, and the other two received Second Grade certificates, which entitles them to be teachers in a Middle School. As women teachers are few in this heathen land, we are glad to see our girls fitted for the position.

Religious instruction has been faithfully given during the year. On account of its interfering with the government examinations for the higher classes, only the girls of the primary department could go up at the time of the examination in the bible, which is for all the girls of the Punjab. Those who went up received Rs. 50 as prizes, which, considering the grade from which they were, was very good. The girls are also taught the Psalms in Punjabi and sing them very nicely. Miss Logan has given much assistance in going to the school to teach the girls to sing.

Miss Mukerjea, the head mistress, has worked with the same energy and faithfulness that has always characterized her work. She has also been ably assisted during the year by Miss Bannerjea. I cannot speak too highly of their work. To their efforts, and to those of the teachers in the christian branches is due the credit of the present prosperous condition of the schools; for while the schools are all under my superintendence, yet the circumstances are such that I can do little personal work in them."

GIRL'S SCHOOL, JHELUM CITY.

Reported by Dr. S. E. Johnson.

"As we had feared, the examinations in this school February a year ago were not very encouraging—only a very few passed the lower primary grade. The head teacher left last October to be married and so far we have not been able to fill her place which is a great drawback to the work.

At the last annual meeting of the Association Miss Ella Gordon was appointed to Jhelum, and she has taken over from me the charge of the school. As she will be able to give it more time, there is every hope that she will bring it up to a better standard.

The average monthly attendance is 108."

The summer bible class among christians is also reported by Dr. Johnson.

"The summer bible class for our Zenana workers and others was held at Jhelum from June 15 to July 15, and a class of twelve attended it regularly, and as all of them could read and write we were able to finish the second year of our Lord's public ministry.

Most of the workers showed great interest in their study, but we missed the evening prayer meetings which Mr. Scott had last year in connection with our summer school.

There was no one to take the men's class, and as some of the husbands had come along with their wives and had nothing to do, I am sorry to say Satan found mischief for some of these idle hands."

Medical Work 1894.

REPORTED BY DR. S. E. JOHNSON.

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, SIALKOT.

"Last February Dr. Maria White was obliged to go home on account of ill health, and by the request of the Mission I was appointed Superintendent of the Memorial Hospital till some one could be sent out to fill the vacancy.

I visited the hospital whenever necessary; but Mrs. Fretwell, the European assistant, engaged by Dr. White in 1890, took the entire charge of the work and with the help of her native assistants, has carried it on faithfully and successfully throughout the year, and I have much pleasure in asking her to give her own report of the work."

Mrs. Fretwell says: "The year's work has been most successful and shows excellent results in every department, considering there has been no resident physician.

"During the year 5,178 new and 11,094 old patients, making a total of 16,272 received treatment at the Hospital.

"In the Indoor department eighty-four women were treated for various complaints, thirty-four confinements were registered, thirty of which were attended in the city by our native christian midwife and four were confined in the hospital.

"Twenty-four minor operations were done and twelve gynaecological cases treated. Religious instruction has been faithfully given to all our patients but the Dispensary was closed on Sabbath by request of the Superintendent as it was too great a strain on my health. The number of patients has been somewhat less this year owing to the Scotch Mission Hospital, which was started in this city some eleven months ago.

My Assistants, Rahmati, Rakhi and Mrs. Peters have helped me greatly to carry out the work of the Memorial Hospital.

ANNA M. FRETWELL."

I am happy to say Dr. M. A. Platter, who arrived in December has taken over charge of the Memorial Hospital.

MEDICAL WORK—THELUM AND BHERA.

"We are thankful to say, that during the past year the work has continued without interruption and there has been no break down in the staff of workers.

The new dispensary in the city not being quite dry, the patients have continued to come to the house for treatment, where during the year, 4,409 new and 9,660 old patients have received help.

Not having our Hospital ready very few major operations have been undertaken and those were mostly obstetrical and gynaecological cases at the houses of private patients, but at the Dispensary many cases of minor surgery have been done daily.

No regular account was kept of house visits, although many were made during the year, and a few special cases from other districts were treated—patients renting houses in the city while under treatment.

DISTRICT WORK

Was some what hindered owing to the demand on our time from other mission stations. However, six weeks were spent at the beginning of winter in the south eastern part of Jhelum Tahsil. Twenty-three villages visited, the sick treated and the gospel preached to all.

This is a very important part of our work and we wish we could give more time to it.

In the latter part of the year a short time was spent at Bhera also.

HOSPITAL BUILDING

Has been greatly hindered owing to the unavoidable absence of J. W. Scott from Jhelum almost all summer (best building time).

He was called away to Sialkot on duty, so we have not yet gotten much beyond the foundations of the hospital; however, if nothing prevents, we hope the hospital will soon be finished.

ENDOWMENT OF HOSPITAL BEDS

Having been approved of by the Women's Board in America, several friends have promised to endow beds in memory of dear ones, and Miss Emma Anderson, (one of our own missionaries) has already endowed a bed and will pay $600—Rs. 2000—to the Women's Board for this purpose. She is also furnishing the ward containing this bed. Nothing will give greater pleasure and satisfaction, than to see the medical work in Jhelum self supporting, and we hope others will remember the new hospital in like manner.

BHERA DISPENSARY

Under the care of Miss Morgan has been well conducted during the year, and 4,986 women and children have been treated at the dispensary.

We are still using the side rooms of the church as dispensary, Mr. Scott not having had time to begin work at the new dispensary but hopes to do so this year.

Miss Morgan, in addition to her dispensary work, has visited the sick in the adjoining villages, and treated successfully several difficult obstetrical and gynaecological cases in the city.

Miss A. Moran, my assistant, who has had entire charge of the drug department at Jhelum dispensary, has given me valuable help in treating the sick, always taking the clinics during my absence from the station.

BIBLE READING

In connection with our work has received due attention. We have also had several interesting bed side talks with our patients (on religion.)

In one instance an apparently bigoted Hindu woman asked that prayer be made for the *forgiveness of her sins.* The brother of another, who had brought his young sister from Gujrat to be treated for phthisis, said to me one day: "Do you believe in the power of prayer to heal the sick? I was reading in the vernacular newspaper about Christians who use *no* medicine for their sick, but just pour oil on them and pray and the sick are healed. How do you do?"

When told that we believed in *using all the appointed means with prayer,* his face brightened and he said: "Well, Doctor, pray for my sister while you give her the medicines, that God may bless the *means.*"

CONTRIBUTIONS toward the support of the medical work, both at Jhelum and Bhera amounted to Rs. 2144, of this Rs. 1144 was given by friends.

We thank all who have so liberally helped us this year, and we hope they will continue to remember us in the new year.

The work on the whole has been encouraging."

Subscriptions and donations for Medical work. Jhelum and Bhera.

Mrs. Anna Clokey, U. S. A.	*Rs.* 30	
Mrs. W. W. Grier,	385	4
Mrs. Bullock,	8	
Rev. Holliday,	40	
Mrs. Ravenshaw,	10	
Mrs. Papworth,	9	
Colonel Strong,	10	
Miss R. Wilson,	45	
Miss I. Gordon, U. S. A.	15	8
L. M. Society, Amity,	15	8

M. F.,	2	W. H. M.,	2
Major Wood,	10	M. M.,	2
Mrs. Close,	11	S. E. Johnson,	60
Captain Blythe,	4	Mrs. Gardiner Highland,	50
S. P. Rawlins, Esq.,	5	W. E.,	2
L. P. Society of Sialkot Mission,	40	Miss Gordon,	70
S. Silcock, Esq.,	5	Mrs. Henning, U. S. A.,	90
L. M. Society, Bellevue, U. S. A. L. M. Society, Butler, U. S. A. L. M. Society, Ced. Rpds. U. S. A.	118 4 9	Miss McCahon,	20
		Mrs. Campbell, N. Y., U. S. A.,	18 2
Mrs. Parker,	2	District board, Jhelum,	600
Mrs. Jennings,	2	District board, Shahpore,	300
Mrs. Fagan,	4	Municipal committee, Bhera,	100
Miss Moran,	24	Dr. Aitheson, Civil Surgeon, valuable eye, gynaecological and obstetrical instruments.	
—— Talbot, Esq.,	15		
Mission Band, Woodstock School,	20		

REPORT OF THE

Home Mission Secretary of Women's Board.

For Year Ending April 15th, 1895.

As we look backward over the records of work for the year just closed, our hearts go out in gratitude to our Father and we write as the key-note of this, our twelfth annual report, "Ebenezer. Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." Through financial depression, through much sickness and bereavment in the homes of many of our members, through disappointments and discouragements of various kinds our work at home has gone steadily on, increasing in interest and importance as the days passed by, till we are now ready to report the best and busiest year's work since our organization.

Our Missionaries among the Warm Spring Indians have sacrificed much in consecrating themselves to this very important work. That the Lord is blessing their work and giving them to see the fruit of their labors the folowing reports testify:

To the Womens' Board of the United Presbyterian Church of North America.

DEAR SISTERS:

The work of another year is on record above. No doubt it marks many imperfections and failures. We trust, however, that some good is recorded as being done, in the name of Christ, to these, the least in His kingdom. The year has not been one of marked numerical advancement, but we believe it has been one of more than average spiritual progress. The regular preaching service has been kept up with encouraging attendance and interest. Our cottage prayer-meetings are held weekly with an attendance as good as could reasonably be expected. Some of these meetings are very interesting. Usually all the church members, in attendance, voluntarily take some part in the services. Some weeks we have two prayer-meetings, one of them being at the Piute Camp, ten miles distant. The government school at this place was discontinued last June, until a new building could be erected. It will, probably, not be opened until the fall of 1896. We supposed that our Sabbath School would suffer severely from this change, as many of the children would be beyond the reach of the school, but we determined to do what we could to keep it up. The time of meeting was changed from before preaching service to immediately after service, and all, old and young were urged to remain. Before we could not even secure a class from the older people, but when the change was made, to our surprise, nearly all remained. Our old people's class, taught by Mrs. Alter, through an interpreter, numbers from forty to sixty in attendance each day, all, apparently, very much interested in the lesson. There are three other classes well attended, composed of such as do not need an interpreter. Most of our Indians under thirty five years of age, do not need an interpreter. We very much regret the necessary absence of many of the children, yet we feel that our school was never before as prosperous as at the present time. As there is no department school here, we get but little outside assistance and our classes are necessarily large for lack of teachers. In this connection we wish to mention Dr. Richards, the agency physician, and his wife, who have given us much needed help in the work. A Woman's Christian Temperance Society was organized in October last, and holds weekly meetings in the church, with fair attendance. It is the first society of its kind among the Indians of Oregon, and with but few exceptions, the first in the United States. The instructions given are such as are best suited to the peculiar wants of the people, social purity, hygiene and talks to mothers are interspersed with gospel temperance. The membership, including honorary members, is eighty-one. The necessity for such work becomes more apparent as the rights of citizenship are conferred upon the Indians, one of which rights is the privilege of drinking all the liquor he can purchase, even if it does make a fiend out of him and ruin his family. Aside from our work in these different meetings, we have spent considerable time in visiting from house to house. Especially have we tried to visit the sick and minister to their wants. We are always welcome to their homes and they seem pleased to have us engage in religious services. It seems best, in making these visits, that we should go together, and, as our parish is a wide one, the labor is considerable. During the year eight have professed Christ, and two who had been under suspension were restored to the privileges of the church. Formerly a large portion of our accessions was from the school children; but this year all were adults,

and most of them married persons. Four of our members died during the year. Our membership is now 120. Five adults and seven infants were baptized. Five funeral services have been conducted and fourteen marriages solemnized.

During the year we had the outside of the Church and parsonage repainted at a cost of $115.00. The painter furnished his own material. We had some paints on hands that were intended for the house, but used them for cellar, and other buildings. The only cost to the Board for this work is the expense of the paints on hand, and that was settled last year. A neat frame building was erected over an out cellar that was in a dilapidated condition, making it a safe place for roots &c. in winter, and very much improving its appearance, as well as adding to its usefulness. The only cost to the Board, for this building, is the material used. The labor, amounting to about $12.00 was donated to the mission. A portion of the fencing, necessary to properly enclose the land allotted to the mission, has been done. There is still some to do. About five acres of land have been cleared of sage brush. This in connection with that before cleared, makes a field of nine and one-half acres that may be used for the raising of *rye hay*. It is, however, a very uncertain crop, owing to the lack of sufficient rain. Oregon is not all in the Willamette Valley. The dogs do not have to carry umbrellas East of the Cascades. Our water wheel and pump, put in about nine years ago, were worn out and new ones seemed a necessity; but the agent having put in a new pump for department use, very kindly offered us the privilege of connecting with their water system. This was done at an expense of $9.48; but when their water system is completed the pipe will have to be relaid, making some additional expense. The expense, however, will be little, as compared with what it otherwise would have been. The water is better, as it comes from a spring instead of the creek, and the trouble to us of pumping it will be almost nothing, as the department will see to the pump &c. We learn that $20,000.00 have been appropriated for school buildings at this place, with a view to the consolidation of the schools of Simnasho and the agency. It is not thought that the building will be ready for use before the fall of 1896. This will leave the children on this side of the reservation without school for two years, a thing much to be deplored. We would much prefer that the schools should not be consolidated but cannot see what can be done to prevent it. The school may be made better by consolidation, but better mission work could be done with them separate with fewer children together, and an opportunity for the missionaries at both stations to work with them.

Our Agent is a first lieutenant of the Fourteenth U. S. Cavalry. His wife is a member of the Baptist Church. She attends services regularly and is always willing to render what assistance she can. So far they have been good neighbors and our business relations have been satisfactory. In many respects we can commend his work. Of course we are sorry that he is not a christian, both for his own sake and for the influence for good he might have on the Indians. There has not been a christian agent here since we came, and of the seven who have been here since Captain Smith left, but one, we believe was a christian. Taking this as the proportionate number of christians among Indian Agents, is it any wonder that the christianization of the Indians could be slow, especially when we consider the utter ungodliness of most of the white people with whom they are thrown into contact? Dear sisters we need your prayers in our work.

The Indians on this side of the reservation had better crops last harvest than at any other time since we came among them; but still there is much poverty and want.

The general health of the Indians has been as good as usual, and your missionaries have reason to thank God for the preservation of life and health.

Below we present a statement of accounts for the year.

EXPENDITURES.

For 50 feet of hose	$ 7 50
" hinges and nails	3 40
" wire screens for doors and windows	2 52
" wire and staples for fence	15 30
" fence posts	6 00
" building fence (including hauling)	15 40
" shingles for stable	13 00
" lumber	12 36
" clearing ground	13 00
" fixing pump	3 00
" water pipe and fixtures, and work on same	9 48
" material for black board for Sabbath school	1 50
" broom for the church	50
" oil for the church	3 37
" flour for Indians	11 70
" groceries for Indians	12 40
" garden seeds for Indians	9 50
" charges on barrel rec'd. for Indians	1 77
Total expenditures	$141 70

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand March 31, 1894	$41 27
From a Sabbath school class in the Presbyterian Church of Covington, Ky., per Maj. Hartwig	5 00
From the Juvenile Endeavor Society of Grand Avenue Church, Portland	3 00
From an unknown friend in Santa Anna, California	10 00
From the Board for sick and needy Indians	50 00
Total	$109 27
Balance due	$ 32 43

Boxes or barrels containing goods for the Indians have been received from

The Young Ladies' Missionary Society of the Sixth Church Pittsburgh.

The First Church Portland.

The Ladies' Missionary Society of First Church Chicago.

Here we wish to acknowledge and express our thanks to the ladies of the Willamette congregation, for their annual donation of a box of canned fruits to the missionaries.

Our Indians have furnished the fuel for the church and contributed about twenty dollars to the mission Boards of the church.

With thankfulness to the Board for its kindness, we are, sincerely,

Your brother and sister,

JOSEPH ALTER,

JEANETTE C. ALTER.

Warm Springs, Oregon,

April 15, 1895.

Miss Rhoda Hail still remains at the agency and is a faithful and useful assistant to Mrs. Alter, making it possible for the latter to give much more of her time to the Indian work than she could otherwise do.

The name of the place where our second Indian mission is located has been changed from Sinemasho to *Simnasho.* It is desirable that you should all make note of this. Rev. J. A. Speer is still in charge with Miss E. H. Black as bible reader.

I herewith transmit to you my annual report for year ending April 1895. One year ago while preparing my report I felt that by another year we would be able to present some cheering news from this field, but am sorry to say we have been disappointed in our expectations. No visible gain to the Church can be reported. We have been sowing the seed as faithfully as we knew how, and not unfrequently "in tears," and yet while

that seed may be growing as the seed germinates and roots beneath the soil, it has not made that visible manifestation we have desired and expected. Faith and patience may not yet have had their "perfect work" for I suppose the true test of faith is the exercise of patience.

We have enrolled over seventy in our Sabbath School. The government school opened one month later than usual this year, which prevented us from opening Sabbath School until October, the attendance was small until a month later when sixty, the full number allowed, were enrolled. Changes were made from time to time, some being sent out or allowed to withdraw from school thus making our enrollment larger than the attendance. It should be stated in explanation that here our Sabbath School is almost exclusively composed of the children in the government school. The Sabbath School we regard as the most important feature of our work and hence are trying to do all we can among the boys and girls. We think in many respects we have as interesting a school as can be found in any of our churches. At present the Superintendent of the government school, together with the matron and three other employees take an active part and teach classes in our Sabbath School. The Sabbath evening and Wednesday evening service we endeavor to make as interesting and instructive and practical to the children as possible.

The present Superintendent, who is a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, requires all except the very small ones to attend these evening services. Mr. Ferguson, who was Superintendent until recently made no effort to attend himself or have any one else do so and yet we were delighted with the attendance even then. To illustrate. One moonlight evening when the coasting was excellent and both boys and girls were enjoying it, the church bell rang for prayer-meeting. The shouting on the hill side very soon ceased and without any one to even encourage them, almost the entire school came marching into the church and sat during the services as quiet and attentive as it would be possible for any company of boys and girls to do under like circumstances.

One other incident I may relate just here. The school was for some time without a Superintendent and naturally became quite lawless. One Sabbath morning I saw some of the children on the coasting track with their sleds. In Sabbath School I spoke of it, told them how sorry I was and asked them not to do so again. In the evening service I thanked them, for not one was seen on the track the balance of the day and never after that on the Sabbath that I know of. In addition to these three services specially intended for the children and youth, though not restricted to the school, for a number from the camps often are present, two or three evenings of the week are spent by Miss Black entertaining the children in bible study combined with other exercises of a refining social character. This part of the work she will mention more fully in her report. The interpreted service at 1 P. M. on Sabbath has usually been well attended. Sometimes the church is packed and with few exceptions very respectful attention is given. The school children are never required to attend this service and yet the older ones are very generally present.

I have occasionally preached in the camps and we have done what we could in visiting the Indians in their homes. This is not always very easy to accomplish for living as these Indians usually do, in tents, they do not have any very certain abiding place. A sick man who had lived in a tent near the Mission for a time, went

away last summer to his friends some miles nearer the mountains. Taking an Indian policeman as guide we went one day to hunt him up. A drive of twelve miles mostly over an Indian trail with no wagon road, brought us to the place where the sick man was said to be. There was a log hut but no one in it. Where teuts had stood some time before, nothing remained but a few tent poles. Nothing could be seen to indicate that any one had been living there within weeks. Had we been alone most likely our trip would have been for nothing for not an Indian was at that time to be found on the trail we travelled. After considerable search however the policeman found the sick man, all alone, under a small piece of tent cloth beside the fence concealed in the timber. The man was so low in consumption as to be scarcely able to lift his head while coughing and spoke only in a whisper. His wife and friends had left him for the day in order to gather berries, fish or hunt for food.

In winter they pretty generally return to the reservation and live, many of them within a circuit of ten miles of the mission, but the mud and snow roads about Simnasho are frequently next to impassable for three or four months. One needs to see it to understand it. From this until they go to the mountains in July we can reach most of the camps, but in the Autumn very few of them return until the wet and winter season has set in. Until the roads broke up and became impassable for a hack last fall, we usually spent two or three days in the week driving from camp to camp. During the winter we had to restrict our visits to those in easy reach usually by foot. When going any distance with the hack we are never without supplies of food for the sick and very needy, for the poor, yes the very poor are to be found in almost every camp, and it is often that the first we know of the sick is when we find them in the camp. In explanation of the rather doleful introduction to this report, it is necessary to state that during almost the entire year, our Indians, I mean those about Simnasho have been kept in a constant turmoil. They never have received favors as those do who live near the Agency and now since the Agent is an Army officer they receive still less. If Indians on this part of the reservation wish to borrow a saw, pick or shovel they must usually make a trip of twenty or thirty miles to see the Agent. If the latter is off hunting, which I am told is usually the case the Indian has his trip for nothing. If the Indian gets to see him, which is not always the case even when at home, he is cut off with so few words that the poor Indian often comes to me to ask what the Agent meant, and is not likely to go again. The present Agent has been in charge for six months and I have not had the opportunity of speaking to him. He comes to Simnasho but seldom and is always in a great hurry to return. Indeed he has come and gone and we knew nothing of it until next day although our house is scarcely two blocks distant from the school. While here our Indians have expressed a wish to talk with him but he refuses to listen for lack of time and then hastens off to what seems to be his chief emyloyment, viz. hunting.

The government physician never comes here unless sent for and seldom even then although much the larger number of Indians are on this part of the reservation and at present the only school is here. The last visit he made was in company with the Agent and after a brief call at the school, they both hurried off to hunt, although within a short mile of the school were several sick ones who wished to see him. We learn that seed grain was given

last year to many Indians about the Agency while these got nothing. Last winter the Agent treated the Indians on that side pretty generally to nuts and candy while here nothing was given except to the children in school. In addition the Indians here are constantly harrassed by repeatedly being told that the government school will be taken away from Simnasho after this year. Now it must be remembered these Indians are only children. They know enough however to see that they are unfairly dealt with, that they are not getting what the government intends for them, in short that part of the children are getting more than their share while they get nothing and like children generally are naturally thrown into a bad state of mind, only becoming worse and worse the longer the injustice lasts.

They have told me it was no use coming to Church for they felt so badly they could not hear me. On last Sabbath the Indians were very fussy while I was preaching. I asked my interpreter why it was. He said they heard the Agent was going to take away the school. I am confident we cannot fully realize just how much our work has been hindered in this way. Our Indians have almost quit trying to get work done at the Agency blacksmith shop, though it is provided by the government to work for all the Indians free of charge. These will go off the reservation and pay a white smith or go without. It seems that almost everything supplied by the government falls into the hands of those near the Agency while those farther out rarely get a taste at the government trough. For the information of those who may not understand how the removal of the school will affect these Indians, I may say that besides taking away their children so they can rarely ever see them, the removal will also take away their market for wood, hay and fresh beef which now bring in a yearly revenue of $2,000 or more, and this being about all they get from the government now, they feel if the school is taken away nothing is left them. I have dwelt on this subject longer than I wish but it seems necessary in order to give you some idea of the special hindrances to our work. We feel sure that we are gaining the confidence of these people while at the same time we are fully aware of the fact that if an Indian knows a white man has wronged, him he holds all whites accountable for it. This is his nature and our work can not but suffer while things continue as they are.

During the year now closing I have received one member by certificate and baptized one infant. The Lord's Supper has been observed three times. I have conducted four funerals and united twelve couple in marriage.

Oregon presbytery appointed a committee at its Autumn meeting to visit and inspect the work here. The Rev. Dr. H. F. Wallace of the Grand Ave. Church, Portland, was the only member of that committee who could be with us. He with his wife spent a Sabbath in each of the Missions during the month of November. The weather was fine during their stay and we were able to give them a considerable idea of our field and work considering the shortness of the time. Their visit was very much appreciated both by the Indians and your missionaries.

Crops were almost entirely destroyed by the crickets last year and as the winter season was unusually severe our stores for charity have not been sufficient to meet the requirements. In a number of cases we have been able I think to save life by a little timely aid, besides relieving a great amount of suffering.

During the year the following have been received:

From a friend . . . . . $ 5 00
From a friend 2 15
Willamette Woman's Missionary Society two boxes canned fruit.
1st Portland Sabbath School, box clothing.
Hebron, N. Y., Women's Missionary Society, barrel of comfortables.
North Argyle, N. Y., Women's Missionary Society 25 00
Salem, N. Y., Young Helpers, pictures and magazines at various times.
A Friend, East Greenwich, N. Y., pictures.

The following were received by Miss Black and used in her work.

1st Church Allegheny Mission, Women's Missionary Society . . . . . $ 5 00
1st Church Allegheny Mission, Good Will Mission Band 5 00
1st Church Allegheny, Women's Missionary Society 20 00
A Friend 26 00
1st Church Allegheny, Young Women's Aid Society, barrel and box for Christmas.
Salem, N. Y., Women's Missionary Society, boy's clothing and comfortables.

The $25.00 came from the North Argyle, Women's Missionary Society very recently and I have written to them saying if it is agreeable to them I will use it toward the erection of a little house for a poor widow who now lives in a miserable tent quite near the Mission. She is very anxious for a house. During the winter she was sick for a long time and it was pitiable to see her in the miserable tent hovel during the excessive cold. There are a few other worthy poor whom I wish to help in the same way when able to do so. The chief expense will be for hardware and carpenter which need not be very great.

During the year there were sawed by the Mission Mill about 110,000 feet of lumber for the Indians, they giving me enough to meet my cash expenses which were nearly $300.00.

To some I have supplied nails and other building supplies for which they give me cord wood. In this way some are getting houses and little barns erected. I can see progress among the Indians. True it is slow, but with a little kindly and wise encouragement by the Agent I am sure it would be greatly increased. Before closing this report I must speak about the name of this Mission. The name of the government school has recently been changed from Sinemasho to Simnasho, and during the past year a post office has been established here with the latter name. To avoid confusion in the future I would suggest that our field be known as Simnasho Indian Mission. The way has not opened yet for organizing a congregation here.

May the Lord bless and guide your Board, with the women of the whole church and give you the desire of your hearts in the various fields committed to your oversight.

Yours for the Master,

J. A. SPEER.

Wapinitia, March 25, 1895.

To the Women's Board of Missions:

DEAR FRIENDS,

The time has returned again when a report of my work for the past year is required.

Soon after my return last April, I was left alone at Simnasho, my brother, Rev. J. A. Speer and sister attending the meeting of the General Assembly in Portland, Ore., to which he had been appointed a delegate.

With great fear and trembling I undertook the work of a bible-reading service on the Sabbath for the older Indians, although during my short sojourn at the Agency upon my first

arrival and when we were there alone I had done this several times, still I felt very timid about it here. However, they came out each Sabbath as usual and gave me kind and respectful attention.

Our Sabbath School still continues very encouraging and interesting, and I feel sure the young people are improving in every respect. We have not felt it best as yet to organize a Young People's Society among them. They would not be capable of understanding the pledge or be able to keep it, I fear. Our service on Sabbath evening frequently is of that nature. It would be difficult to find a more attentive audience of the same number of white people than we have on Sabbath morning and evening, and on Wednesday evening at our prayer meeting. Of course, in all these services I try to do my part. I had hoped to have some of my young girls unite with the church at our recent communion, but when I spoke to them about it they were afraid of the older Indians. To understand this influence, you would have to see it as we do. I am very sure the girls are trying to live the christian life amid many hindrances.

Until the snow came in December Mr. Speer and myself, often accompanied by my sister, visited the Indians in their camps, making each week several visits. It would be impossible for me to give the number of these visits correctly. Sometimes we took an entire day going and returning and only making two or three calls.

Occasionally we can visit a neat little home, but the camps are usually dirty and destitute of every comfort. Where I can go by walking I go more frequently.

The old and the sick have been visited and cared for by us as far as possible. My sister and I have made clothes for them and given out food to many this severe winter who were almost entirely destitute of either. When ever practicable in these visits prayer was made and they were told something of the love of Jesus.

During the entire year except the months of vacation in the Government school I have given each week two and often three evenings to the young people—Saturday afternoon occasionally to the younger boys and girls.

We have a room nicely fitted up with books, the gift mostly of a lady in New York, and papers are continually supplied by the "Young Helpers," of Salem, N. Y., also some very interesting games, the gifts of the Young Ladies' Aid Society of the First Church, Allegheny City, Pa.

We spend part of each evening in bible reading and study — talking about the lesson read. In this way I have learned more than in any other of their ignorance of our language, even the most simple words often being an unknown term to them. But we have become much better acquainted for this intercourse and I hope my influence will be much greater for good over them.

The remainder of the evening is spent in a social way—some read, while others sing, all talk and use the various games. In this part of the evening my sister sometimes assists me, and I need not tell you that I need the help.

I am delighted with the improvement in their manners—never an unkind word or a rude remark, seldom is any selfishness displayed in the use of the different games.

I am often reminded here in our daily work of the words of George Macdonald, "Does God care to paint a sky of an evening, that a few of His children might see it, and get just a hope, just an inspiration, out of its passing green and gold and purple and red? And should *I* think my day's labor lost, if it work no *visible* salvation in the earth?"

In closing I feel I must thank an

unknown friend for the *Century Magazine*, some others for words of cheer by letter, some for money for the old and poor, others for barrels and boxes of useful things for old and young.

With an earnest prayer for God's blessing upon all those who labor for the good of humanity and the extension of the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Received during the year ending March 31, 1895.

RECEIPTS.

W. M. S. 1st C. Mission, Allegheny	$ 5 00
G. W. M. Band 1st C. Mission, Allegheny,	5 00
Women's Home Society, 1st C. Mission, Allegheny	20 00
From a Friend, April, 1894	5 00
" " November, 1894	6 00
" " January, 1895	10 00
" " March, 1895	5 00
Total	$56 00

EXPENDITURES.

For Flannel	$ 5 00
Calico	5 00
Stove for children's room	7 50
Flour.	11 00
Rice and Tea	5 00
Yarn and ribbon for knitting hoods	6 00
Grain for poor Indians	8 00
Total	$47 50
Balance on hand	$ 8 50

ELIZA H. BLACK.

From the foregoing it is very evident that we may expect some changes in Simnasho. After these reports were received a vigorous protest against removing the school signed by all the leading Indians was received. Your Board immediately decided to ask Dr. Owens to go to Washington as our representative taking the above protest with him and urging as he only could from his personal knowledge of affairs at the reservation the necessity of continuing a school at Simnasho and the injury that would be done to the Indians and our church work in the contemplated consolidation of the schools. This Dr. Owens kindly did but does not feel very confident as to the results.

He was unfortunately unable to see the Commissioner in person as that gentlemen was out of the city but had very pleasant interviews with those appointed to act during his absence.

All our papers bearing upon this subject were filed in the Commissioner's office in Washington, so we must patiently wait trusting that He who has the hearts of all men in His keeping will overrule all this apparent discouragement for the good of the work and the saving of souls.

It is to be regretted that the estimates from Oregon Presbytery for the prosecution of this work during the ensuing year have not yet reached me.

February 16th, 1894.—Miss Lyde A. McCool, formerly missionary at Indianapolis began work in Topeka, Kansas. What has been accomplished by her during the past year will be shown by the following:

To the Woman's General Missionary Society:

DEAR SISTERS:

Fourteen months ago I began my work as city missionary in Topeka, Kansas. My field of labor has been the extreme eastern part of the city, where Rev. M. F. McKirahan and other workers from the First United

Presbyterian church five years ago established a Sabbath school in one of the public school buildings of the city. This has been carried on uninterruptedly ever since.

More than two years ago a Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor was organized by them in same place. These meetings were transferred to Liberty church—a chapel provided by the Board of church extension February 4th, 1894. Since the dedication of the church Sabbath evening services have been held, and during the year a Junior Christian Endeavor Society has been organized and prayer meetings begun. A Boy's Brigade, a Girl's Brigade, and Women's Aid Society are other organizations which are a part of Liberty work.

Each of these departments has borne fruit for the Master. Although United Presbyterianism has not grown very rapidly, we know that souls have been saved through the instrumentalism used. The seed has been sown, and in God's own good time a harvest will result from the efforts put forth in this field. We believe the foundation has been laid for a congregation of our own denomination if the work can be carried on. Quite a number, at the present time are manifesting an interest in their soul's salvation. Two little girls aged 9 and 11 and a boy 14 were admitted to the church, on profession of their faith to Christ at our communion April 9th. During a series of special meetings in December there were four very bright conversions. These have not yet united with any church, three of them attend our services and we hope may yet come in with us. The work at Liberty has had a reflex influence upon the First church in that it has developed a corps of workers who would not have been active laborers in the Lord's vineyard had it not been for this field. Fifteen of her members are officers and teachers in Liberty Sabbath school and are present every Sabbath afternoon. Several others attend the meetings of the Young People's Society Christian Endeavor on Monday evenings. During these fourteen months, except when out of the city on my vacation, I have been absent from but two Sabbath evening services, two sessions of the Sabbath school, four meetings of the Young People's Society Christian Endeavor, four prayer meetings and three meetings of the Juniors. The cause of all absence has been illness and attendance at a Presbyterial convention.

I have conducted nine Sabbath evening services alone and a number of others with the aid of Mr. J. R. Thompson, an elder in the First church. We have several very able men in the First church who speak for us occasionally on Sabbath evenings and thus help on the work. In these Sabbath evening services we have had the aid of workers from the Young Men's Christian Association, Young Women's Christian Association and others in the city who have been willing to lend a helping hand in advancing Christ's cause.

I have made almost 900 calls in the interest of the work. I have made some very warm friends and have been kindly and cordially received by every one without a single exception.

The people old and young have shown their interest in me, and the work, by many acts of kindness, especially during my sickness by bringing me fruit, flowers and delicacies. During ten days that I was confined to the house over forty persons connected directly with Liberty church, besides others from the First church, called to see me. The Sabbath school is in a flourishing condition with an average attendance of about 140.

The Young People's Society Christian Endeavor has eighty-three members and an average attendance of about sixty. The Juniors fifty members and average attendance of forty. The boys

and girls in the Junior Society are learning to lead in prayer and take other part in the meetings which is very creditable to young people of their age. We sent two delegates from the Junior and one from the Boy's Brigade to the Presbyterial convention at Lawrence, Kansas, April 11th. The Women's Aid Society has sixteen members and is doing good work. They have done considerable sewing in the way of making over clothing for neeedy ones and also some to increase their treasury. Every department of the work seems to be in good condition. A great improvement in the order in all the meetings is very noticeable and has been remarked upon by many. We ask for your prayers that the work may go on and increase more and more. Very Respectfully,

LYDE A. MCCOOL.

Topeka, Kan., April 16th, 1895.

Our work at Sioux City was under the care of Miss E. H. Glenn from October, 1893, to November 1, 1894. The year for which her services had been engaged having expired, we were then reluctantly obliged to bid her farewell as a missionary, praying God's blessing to go with her wherever she went. Her report will tell its own story:

Report of City Missionary work in Sioux City from April 1, to October 24th, 1895.

These months witnessed almost the whole of the planning and completion of our new church building. During the months of its erection, July and August, our work seemed almost to stand still and wait for our new home. This was due no doubt to the heat rather than to anticipated removal.

In April, May and June our Sabbath School had its largest attendance, from fifty to sixty-two, most of the time almost sixty. We began to fear we could not well be accommodated in the room we occupied, but when the first of July came our attendance dropped to from thirty-five to forty. After the new church was entered (first Sabbath in September) new interest arose, and it is hoped that our numbers may soon exceed our highest hitherto.

The same methods before used were continued. Prayer meetings were held in the afternoons, except through July and August. Bible studies were held through the whole term. Those who attended them were principally the ones who had begun previous to April, a few new ones were enlisted. Our meetings were interesting, but without very marked results.

A Junior Christian Union was organized soon after the church was entered. It is able to report a membership of twenty-one. The attendance and interest manifested are encouraging. The children volunteer readily to lead meetings and engage in other work. Singing bible songs from memory is a favorite exercise in the meetings.

The children were given a picnic in June and the good time they had was a frequent topic of conversation for some time. Three young people's socials have been given. They have been purely socials, conversations, games, recitations and music occupied the evenings. A Junior Social was held at the church since the organization of the society. Nearly all the children came.

We can again record with thankfulness that none of our people have been removed by death. A number of times I have found occasion to care for the sick, or to give a little help in sewing or housework. It was not so much the amount I did that helped those needing care, as the fact that I sympathized

with them and wanted to aid them.

Our church attendance, especially of adults, is growing, and our new church is a decided advantage in securing an audience. Every one who comes expresses himself as pleased with our chapel, and we think we are quite right in thinking it the finest small church in the city.

Of course a great deal of my time has been spent in visiting and calling. I have account of 1,025 calls and visits.

May God grant that some seed find lodgment in good soil and bring forth fruit to the honor of His name.

ELIZABETH H. GLENN.

After Miss Glenn's departure it was thought best to have Mrs. McKirahan act as missionary for two months, thus closing up the year 1894. I have asked Rev. J. A. McKirahan, pastor in charge of the mission, to give a brief *resume* of the work in Sioux City from February, 1893, to December 31, 1895.

To the Women's Board of the United Presbyterian Church.

Miss Murray came to us in February, 1893, and remained until October of the same year. I gave her considerable liberty in her work, only endeavoring to have her keep in view the best interest of our congregation in our peculiar circumstances. She spent her efforts on visiting and calling with a view of finding those who did not attend church anywhere, and of finding children for the Sabbath School. The results of her work can not be presented entirely separate from that of Miss Glenn, who followed her and remained for one year.

But in general it can be said that our Sabbath School was increased. Also the attendance at the services. Of course as a member and a worker among the members, her help was realized. We have since received persons into membership who were found and interested in us through her efforts, and friends were found who have been a help to us. We even yet expect to reap the benefits of her presence and help with us.

Miss Glenn's work was aimed toward the same end. Her efforts showed the largest results in the Sabbath School.

She also extended our acquaintance and opened the way for work to be prosecuted. It is extremely difficult to make appear on paper the beneficial effects of the work of these helpers. the number of calls made and the number of different persons visited would convey only an impression of the efforts made. The results are with us and seem to grow even after our helpers ceased their labors among us.

Mrs. McKirahan gave her attention to that work for two months succeeding Miss Glenn. Her work resulted in an increased Junior Young People's Society which was just started under Miss Glenn. This grew into an enthusiastic society and gave us three members at the last communion, with others to follow, and also in interesting a number of people in us which has large promise of substantial results. Mrs. McKirahan had a better conception of the needs of the work and of the manner of prosecuting it than either of the others, and could she have been able to follow it up with vigor I am sure we would have been the better for it.

In closing, I desire to express the deepest gratitude to the Board for the help we received from you. And my opinion that lady missionaries, as the assistants of the pastor, are a paying investment in such fields, increasing the efficiency and economy of the pastor, and that such helpers ought to be

such persons as could form a just conception of the needs of such work and possess an adaptedness for it.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. McKIRAHAN.

Since December, 1893, Mrs. Maria G. Gaston has been engaged in furthering the Master's cause in Tacoma, Washington. Her reports are always modest and brief, and we are assured by the session having oversight of her work never tell half of the good she does.

Report of the City Missionary in Tacoma, for the year ending March 31, 1895.

The work has been continually opening up before us and I think during the last year has been full of good results. The Sabbath School has increased largely, the attendance having doubled that of a year ago and the church service increasing very materially in numbers.

The work in all branches is now full of promise for the future. The work among the Juniors is good. It takes continual watchfulness along all the lines. During the year I made 976 visits. I work in a district that is within walking distance of the church. Do not try to take in the city as it is impossible to do that. If we decide to undertake a mission in another part of the city, will then work there in connection with the other, but at present it is of no use to visit those whom we cannot reach with permanent religious influence.

I try to interest myself with all I come in contact with, to let them know that I am their friend in every way and thus lead them to the church and Sabbath school. During the year I have distributed a good deal of clothing to women and children. Have had a fund with which to do some purchasing but the most has been made over garments. Have bought several pair of shoes for those who needed them the worst and spent some money for medicine and delicacies for the sick. If some were here who do not think there is need of such work as I have been doing, I think that they would soon find that they had no idea of the work to be done. It is continual and God alone can tell the fruit of our labors.

I have been well received by all but sometimes they are very ready with excuses of so many different kinds for not attending church or giving any attention to religion. Nearly all are willing that their children should attend Sabbath school but not so willing to come themselves to service of any kind, so I think the great work is with the young and through them to their parents. The membership in the church has greatly increased, notwithstanding several have removed from us so that at the close of the year we can feel that the Lord has greatly helped us.

Very respectfully,

MARIA G. GASTON.

1317 North 8th St.

Tacoma, Wash.

The labors of Miss Helen Currie were productive of such good results that the Presbytery of San Francisco asked that her services be continued for another year. This request being approved by the Home Mission Board your Board granted. Her time is to be spent in Oakland, Alameda, and San Francisco. That the Lord is blessing her is demonstrated by the following:

DEAR SISTERS:

My annual report must necessarily cover three fields of work. Seven

months in Oakland, two in San Francisco and three in Alameda.

On the whole I think I can say it has been very satisfactory, though I often think I work to a disadvantage with those who are confined to just one field right along. I so often think there must be much more satisfaction in carrying on a work, than to be for a few months in one congregation and then in another.

Those who are in the work will I am sure bear me witness, when I say that it takes time and hard work to even make a good start. We do not find children ready to be carried to the church by dozens, or men or women either, especially in cities where a church steeple may be seen from almost any part of it.

It is true there are souls hungering and thirsting for the bread and water of life, but it is also true that many need to be compelled to come and taste that the Lord is good.

I am not requested at this time however, to show the condition of these needy fields, but simply to report my work for the past year, so I shall begin with Oakland.

When I went there just one year ago, our people were worshipping in a hall. The church building was in the course of erection, and all were eagerly looking forward to the time when it would be ready for occupancy. (It was dedicated the 3rd of June.)

The average attendance in Sabbath school at that time was thirty. When I had left in November it had risen to seventy.

Eighty-one new scholars were reported as having been enrolled during that time. I do not claim the credit of having been the means in bringing in all this number. Perhaps not more than half of them could be attributed directly to my work, but many of these were the means of bringing others and thus the numbers were increased. Constant visitation is necessary among these mission scholars if we would hold them. There is little or no influence brought to bear upon them by their parents as to regular attendance and until we get the parents interested, it is hard work to hold the children. This makes our average attendance small compared with the number of scholars enrolled. Two Sabbaths in succession we may have about the same number present, but when we come to look into their faces, we find that probably one half of them are children who were not there the previous Sabbath. That week we make special effort to look up the absentees and are rewarded by a large school on the next Sabbath as the result. We feel encouraged and go about to find more new ones, probably we will get the promise of two or three and we are still encouraged, but when the Sabbath comes around again and we are assembled once more in the school room, we realize that the numbers have again decreased. Such is the work of a mission Sabbath school, and as I have said it needs constant visitation, and not only that but strong faith and unwearied efforts.

There is no doubt but that God will ultimately bless such work with great success, but I believe He wants to teach us that we must not only work but patiently wait for the harvest. I cannot say how many mother's or father's hearts have been reached, but there are several who are quite faithful in their attendance especially at the morning service, though they still hold back from uniting themselves with the Lord and with His church.

The average number of calls made in Oakland per month was eighty-three. In all of my visits I make a point to speak some word for Jesus, often it leads to quite a conversation which I trust God can bless, some times I read the bible and pray with them. The two months' work in

San Francisco, I gave largely in my paper to the February magazine. It will not be necessary to report that again. The last three months in Alameda have been as encouraging as any. The school is growing right along. We have at present 106 scholars enrolled, all of which are quite regular in their attendance. We have had two new teachers in the last quarter from outside, and still there is work for more. Our average attendance is seventy-five. Perhaps you will be surprised to learn that we have only fifteen children in our school whose parents are members of the church, all the others are mission scholars.

All of these places are needy fields, a large proportion of the population are non-church-goers and most of them know nothing at all about our denomination. They have heard of Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians, but United Presbyterians is surely something new, and so they want to know wherein we differ from the other denominations. Many questions are asked by such people which are very hard to answer and nearly all cry out for one denomination and make that their excuse for not attending any. Our hope lies in the children whom we hope to hold and train for Jesus. I was greatly pleased the other day in speaking to two little boys on the street. They both belong to our Sabbath school and neither of them were much over six years of age. Carl began to tell me that Edmond was not coming to Sabbath school again. On being asked why? he answered up quite promptly, "cause I don't want to." I talked to him for a little while telling him that Jesus who lived in heaven wanted him to come, and just then I was interrupted by the other little fellow who chimed in.—"Yes and Jesus loves you and died for you." This seemed to reach the right spot for Edmond looked up and said, "I know that too and I know something else, I know Glory to God in the highest." They were both in Sabbath school last Sabbath.

These children have gotten the seed of truth in their hearts. May God bless it and make it to bring forth and bud and blossom and bear fruit to the glory of His name.

I might speak of our work among the Juniors and Seniors and Missionary Societies but perhaps this report is long enough so I will leave these for some future time.

Yours very sincerely,

HELEN CURRIE.

Alameda, California.

P. S.—The number of new scholars in Alameda during the three months was thirty-two. Average number of calls per month eighty-seven.

In our report last year mention was made of a new and flourishing mission in Ravenswood, (Chicago) Ill. Since that time the Presbytery of Chicago and our Home Mission have united in asking for the services of Miss Minnie H. Speer in the bounds of said Presbytery. Her first labors have been in Ravenswood, Feb. 1st; but I will let her tell her own story.

332 Sunnyside Ave.,

RAVENSWOOD, ILL.,

April 16, 1895.

Women's Board United Presbyterian Church, Pittsburg, Pa:

Dear Friends: I am pleased to report the Lord's work prospering in this corner of His vineyard.

As I have only been engaged in your service two months I desire to

include a history from the beginning of my work here.

I came to Ravenswood Saturday evening, November 23, ostensibly to visit friends and also the famous "Fifth Church." I had not been here long, however, until I had consented to remain an indefinite length of time and labor for the cause of Christ and the upbuilding of our own dear church.

The next day I was introduced, at church, as their "missionary" and given a permanent position as teacher in the Sabbath-school. On Monday I found a boarding place and made some preparations for work, and the next day I started out and have been going ever since. I first visited members of the church and Sabbath-school.

My duties were to look after both the spiritual and temporal welfare of these, and afterwards go from house to house doing likewise, and to keep a record of those who were not Christians, without church homes, and in poor circumstances. I have tried to be faithful in all these duties.

I have generally been well received and have had no difficulty in gaining the confidence of all, and finding out the home influences and circumstances. Some of our children have christian homes and the comforts of life, while many have not, but come because they enjoy it, and their parents think "they are just as well in our Sabbath-school as on the street." I deliver the Lord's message to such and lovingly invite them to His house. A great many have come and have admitted they received a great blessing, and some have united with the church.

Twice I have found homes where the last bucketful of coal was being used and no money with which to buy more. Such cases I reported to the officers and teachers of our Sabbath-school and the needs have always been promptly and generously supplied. I have distributed a few tracts and given away two bibles. I have also written about two hundred postal cards in connection with our Sabbath-school work, which were appreciated and brought great results.

I have witnessed a wonderful growth both in the congregation and Sabbath-school. About forty have united with the church. The monthly report of the Sabbath-school for November gave the average attendance 208. December, 245 and for the *last quarter*, 251.4. The collections for last quarter averaged $7.12 (in the Sabbath-school.) Our highest attendance in Sabbath-school was yesterday (Easter) 441; collection, $16.00.

The present building was taxed to its utmost, and many couldn't get in. A new building seems necessary, and the plans are ready and waiting to be executed. Donations will be gratefully acknowledged. It is hoped that when we go into winter quarters again they will be commodious and adapted to the needs of the modern Sabbath-school.

Besides the duties aforesaid, I have been conducting a "mother's" prayer-meeting since the 1st of March. We hold it in the church parlor, on Wednesday afternoons, from 3 to 4 o'clock. The attendance has varied from six to twelve; but we are thankful the blessing is not limited to numbers, though we hope they will increase. At present we are agitating the subject of a free kindergarten in connection with our work.

I do not think *too much* can be said in praise of this young flock. A more willing, faithful, energetic and self-sacrificing people could not be found anywhere, and the Lord is blessing them abundantly. They rely on Phil. 4:19.

The Fifth Church, Chicago, promises great things, and is deserving of our prayers and support. *Remember it.*

Praying that God will send "showers of blessing" upon your convention

and enable you to do a still greater work in His name I remain,

Your humble servant,

MINNIE H. SPEER.

This certifies that the above report of Miss Minnie H. Speer was read and approved at a meeting of the session of the Fifth United Presbyterian Church of Chicago, Illinois, April 17, 1895.

J. P. TRACY,

Session Clerk.

The presbytery of Conemaugh through the Home Mission Board requested the services of Miss Kate Corbett, a foreign missionary whose health prevented her from returning to her much loved India. Not being willing to remain idle while so much was to be done, she consented to go to Altoona in November last, the following is her report to date.

My Dear Mrs. Campbell:

The time has come for reports from the various workers at home and abroad, mine this year comes from Altoona, this city of shops and busy people and extends over five months from November 9 to April 7. After my arrival here I spent a faw days getting acquainted with United Presbyterians, the work of our church here and with the city. I found two centers for work, the First United Presbyterian Church on the corner of Howard Ave. and Fourth St., the Sabbath-school organized and carried on in a hall at the corner of Sixth Ave. and Twentieth St. the former being under the efficient leadership of Rev. Hutchison was not in any great need of my help, therefore besides visiting some among non-church goers and Sabbath-school children, teaching in the Sabbath-school and Junior Christian Endeavor. I have done little there. The Session gave me liberty to work where I saw most need and greatest opportunity. There being no doubt in my mind regarding this liberty I have spent most of my efforts in our Sixth Ward Mission, feeling that my stay here, would in all probability, be limited to a few months, I have not organized any new work but taking my place among the workers have tried to build up and strengthen the organizations already here when I came. I have done a great deal of visiting among the people in the vicinity of the Sixth Ward Mission. Our school is in good working order, the officers, teachers and pupils all take a great interest in the work, the children seem to feel that the school is theirs and help with their might and mites to make the undertaking a success. May we so live before these little ones and so teach them that they will be true disciples of Jesus. Our Thursday evening prayer meetings are well attended by the school, some of the pupils seem to be impressed with the truth very deeply and are very helpful in the work.

We have carpeted our hall, put an organ in, furnished supplies, arranged for the rent of the hall and provided bibles and other books awarded the children for good attendance. Our next undertaking will be the furnishing of more chairs, the school cannot grow much more until more seats are provided. We all feel that the Holy Spirit is helping us wonderfully and may these boys and girls learn true wisdom from our teachings and go out prepared to meet and triumph over the difficulties and temptations of life.

We have organized a Junior Society in connection with the mission and find the children very enthusiastic, we give a bible lesson every alternate

Tuesday evening and meet for work and pleasure every alternate Saturday afternoon thus having one meeting of the society each week.

I see the need of city missions more and more as I become better acquainted with the city and its peoples. There is such a need for a refuge or home for poor unfortunate ones. I have found some very sad cases. Oh, for more of the Christ like spirit to lead us to be more kind and gentle with the erring ones. May not a kind word of help and encouragement from a christian sister be the first step to lead these poor creatures up and out of the deep, deep pit in which they have become ensnared. "In as much as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me."

KATE CORBETT.

Altoona, April 6th, 1895.

Far away Washington is the only State which has the honor of having two of our devoted women at work as missionaries under the care of your Board. After all the usual requirements had been met, Mrs. Jennie G. Nicol began work in Seattle about November 1st, 1894. Her report consequently covers only five months.

2006 7th St., Seattle, Wash.

Monday, Apr. 13, 1895.

Dear Mrs. Campbell:

I began the work of a city missionary in this place the second Monday in November. From that time until April 1st I made 469 calls. The greater number of homes at which I called I have been directed to by children whom I have talked with on the street and from whom I have learned that they did not attend church or Sabbath-school.

I have done considerable house to house visitation, but it has been a block here and a block there wherever I chanced to be when I completed the calls I had in view. Recently I began a thorough canvass of the territory surrounding our church.

I will go but two blocks west of the church, as we then reach the business portion of the city, and but three north where we come to another business street. South and east I will go six and eight blocks. Had I been more experienced in this branch of church work I should no doubt have begun this canvass when I first entered upon the work.

When I came here in October the average attendance of the Sabbath-school for that month was forty-seven. Last month's average attendance was ninety-two.

Since the first of October the attendance upon church services has increased twenty-five per cent.

I had been at work but a short time until I discovered several localities sadly in need of mission work that were too far distant for the children to attend our school and at my request, on February 10th, the session appointed H. C. Ewing superintendent of the mission school, which we organized that afternoon with twenty-one pupils enrolled.

The school is little more than a mile from our church in a fine residence portion of the city. By April 1st we had sixty-six enrolled.

With the help of the Ladies' Missionary Society I have done quite a little charitable work in the way of providing food and clothing for distitute families.

Trusting that the Lord will continue to bless my efforts in His name I am,

Yours in His service,

JENNIE G. NICOL.

The latest addition to our ranks is Miss Luella Shay, who began work in Kansas City, Mo., April 1st, 1895.

Her annual report will appear next year.

Ministerial Relief.

We have been permitted to send a little ray of sunshine into a few homes of deceased ministers by sending money and new goods to their families. This work is such a pleasure that we earnestly urge all such to send us their names and addresses that we may execute the trust committed to us by their sisters. Superintendents of Missions and all others who know of aged ministers or the families of deceased ministers who are not so well provided with this worlds goods as to be above anxious care will do us a great favor by forwarding their names and address to the Home Mission Secretary.

Financial Statement.

INDIAN WORK.

Salaries	$3,050 00
Improvements	300 00
Sabbath-school Supplies	73 80
Sick fund	100 00
Insurance	116 00
Special	7 00
	$3,646 80

HOME MISSIONARIES.

Salaries and traveling expenses	$3,324 05

CHURCH BUILDING.

Indianapolis, Ind.	$2,000 00

SPECIAL.

Debt of Board of Home Missions	32 00
Baltimore, Md., Mission	28 00
Olympia, Wash	17 05
Ministerial Relief	152 44

HOME MISSION DIRECTORY.

Rev. Joseph Alter, Warm Springs Agency, Oregon.
Miss Rhoda Hail, Warm Springs Agency, Oregon.
Rev. J. A. Speer, Simnasho, Oregon.
Miss E. H. Black, Simnasho, Oregon.
Miss Lyde A. McCool, Topeka, Kansas.
Miss Helen Currie, San Francisco, California.
Mrs. Maria G. Gaston, Tacoma, Washington.
Miss Minnie H. Speer, Ravenswood, Ill.
Miss Kate Corbett, Altoona, Pa.
Mrs. Jennie G. Nicol, Seattle, Washington.
Miss Luella Shay, Kansas City, Mo.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. H. C.) ELIZABETH M. CAMPBELL.

29 North Ave., Allegheny, Pa.

REPORT OF THE

Secretary of the Freedmen's Department in the Women's Board.

For Year Ending April 30th, 1895.

The work in this department has gone smoothly along. It has been thoroughly and systematically carried on and monthly reports have shown encouraging progress and increasing interest manifested. With two exceptions the instructors have been the same as last year. At Knoxville, owing to their being crowded, consequent upon the fire and rebuilding, the industrial training was crippled the first few months of the school year. Now these obstacles are overcome and their facilities for doing efficient work are better than formerly. Eleven industrial teachers have been supported, and thirteen girls in the Little Girls' Home at Knoxville. A school building was erected at Athens, Tenn. at a cost of $2,050, a parsonage built at Miller's Ferry, Ala., costing $860. The dormitories in the new college building at Knoxville, Tenn., were furnished at a cost of $1,424. Owing to unavoidable delays, the plans for the school building at Prairie Bluff (undertaken for this year) were only approved a short time ago, but it is expected that the work will be pushed right along, and that the building, which is to cost some $1,286 will be complete, ready for occupancy in September, and will be known as the "Mrs. Jennie Hastings Gillespie Memorial." Last year we reported a dressmaking department at Knoxville which not only paid running expenses, but also turned a small sum over to the Board towards the salary of the instructor. This year, though crippled as the whole work was at this station, and more so because of the long continued illness of the instructor, Miss Fisher, $109.38 were received from this department. Instruction in the art of dressmaking has been given at the Chase City, Va. and Henderson, N. C. missions, during a part of this year also with encouraging prospects. Certainly this move recommends itself to all, as we are told colored seamstresses are in demand and can be constantly employed; but no white dressmaker will receive a colored girl as an apprentice.

Girl's Industrial Home.

CHASE CITY, VA.

It is with feelings of sincere gratitude that we record the Lord's gracious dealings with the "Girls' Industrial Home" during the year just closing. "Though its beginning was small, yet its latter end hath greatly increased."

It opened in September with a small number, but each month one or more

came until we are able to report fourteen girls. Six young men, students in the Grammar and Normal Departments, occupy rooms in the Boys' Cottage and board in the "Home." Housework, including chamber work, cooking, baking, washing and ironing are taught, and, as far as possible by the most approved methods.

When the girls come to us for the first time they can do little in the line of cooking except to fry bacon and make their corn bread which they can do to perfection. This corn bread is made by mixing corn meal with water and a little salt and is worked with the hands into small oval shaped loaves and then baked. This with the bacon, forms the main article of diet in their homes.

Accustomed to but few of the conveniences to be found in a modern kitchen they are, at first, exceedingly awkard. One of our girls when set to washing dishes for the first time put her pan of dishwater upon the floor, and, stooping over it, began to wash her dishes. None except those who have cooked for white people, can bake light bread, cook a steak or bake biscuit. Accustomed to open fire places, they do not know how to manage a stove or range, and, in the first ironing invariably set the irons inside the stove to heat.

It is only by closely watching their beds that we can prevent them from leaving off the sheets and pillow cases, which, until they have been in the "Home" some time, they consider an unnecessary part of the bed furniture. And when they come into their rooms tired they will take a quilt from the bed, throw it upon the floor and throw themselves upon it.

These incidents show the importance of such "Homes" and emphasize the fact that schools among the Freedmen which lack the Industrial Department are unable to meet one great need of these people.

These girls are bright and capable and eager to learn all the white people's ways. In teaching them, we take up only one thing at a time and a girl's work for a week is that one thing. They have an endless amount of patience, if the one who is teaching them does not become discouraged, and will go over and over the same work in a way that is astonishing to one accustomed to work with "Young America," who must do everything with the greatest possible dispatch. The most of them are slow, exceedingly slow. This is seen even in the way they sing the "Bible Songs," singing as if all the notes were of the same length and all whole notes. But what they learn, they retain, and are able to use, without any difficulty on any future occasion.

We have every reason to think that a large number of girls will avail themselves, next year, of the advantages of the "Industrial home," and we trust that from it will yet go forth influences whose mission shall be to elevate and enoble. We close the year with a cash balance in the treasury of $161.42. Expenses from April 1st to April 16th, $41.09.

SEWING DEPARTMENT.

This department was under the care of Miss McCampbell from the opening of the term until April 6th, when she went to her home in the north. Since that time the work has been carried on as before, Mrs. Moore taking charge in the forenoons and Miss Cleland in the afternoons. There has been an average attendance of ninety for each month. 426 garments have been made and 1,518 yards of material used. A number of yards of material was donated by friends in the north, which, with the proceeds from the sale of gar-

ments made, kept the department self-sustaining, with a balance in the treasury of $12.69. Since the holidays a class in dressmaking and fitting has been organized. Heretofore only plain sewing, cutting and fitting were taught in this department. This part of the work will be continued as heretofore, but as some of the girls prefer dressmaking to teaching and as there is a large demand for competent dressmakers in the south, it is thought that competent instruction in dressmaking will open a profitable field for usefulness to many who have neither the taste nor special fitness for teaching. This class will be a permanent feature of the work in this department, and will be composed only of those who have completed the prescribed work in plain sewing.

Respectfully submitted.

MARGARET A. CLELAND.

SEWING DEPARTMENT, NORFOLK, VA.

Report for the school year 1894-95.

The sewing department began work the first week in September with an enrollment of 245 pupils. Since the holidays the enrollment has been 223.

We have made during the year over 500 garments, including dresses, aprons boys' shirt jackets, underwear, three quilts and some fancy work. Have also taught them cutting, fitting and making basques.

I used for my work 1843 yards of material. Of that amount I bought 1632 yards, the remainder being goods left on hand from last year. I have about two hundred yards of goods on hand, mostly unbleached muslins.

Expenditures for the year . . .	$73 01	$73 01
Receipts fron the sale of garments made in sewing department	45 41	
Balance on hand from last year	10 00	
Rec'd from Women's board . .	17 00	
		72 41
Balance on hand		$ 60

Since the first of January I have sold very little clothing, times having been so hard that the colored people have had very little with which to buy.

M. A. GEBHART,

Industrial Teacher.

Henderson, N. C.

To the Women's Board:

I enclose herewith report of sewing department for April; also summary of work and expenses for the year.

With the same teacher and the same methods, the work and results are similar to those of former years. Six classes have received instructions daily, each class numbering twenty to twenty-five. In all 160 girls have been in the classes, a large proportion of them nearly all the year. More work has been accomplished than in any former year. 500 dresses, 300 aprons and 500 other garments have been made, making a total of 1300 garments during year. We have received a smaller amount of material by donations than last year, the amount received being 1579 yards, the whole amount used is 4500 yards.

A class in cutting and fitting dresses bv chart was formed after the holidays and has made good progress. Six entered the class, one was called away by her sister's death before she had completed the course. Four of the class have finished the course and are competent dress-makers, can put up a dress in latest style, big sleeves and all. (Perhaps my terms are not

the most appropriate, but my acquaintance with this branch of industry is not very extensive.)

Many of those in school expect to be teachers, but not all could obtain schools and many never will succeed as teachers, it therefore seems well to prepare some of them to support themselves in other ways.

A larger number of the older pupils are remaining to the close of the year, and the work of the school in all departments has never been more promising.

Respectfully submitted,

C. T. McCRACKEN,

Principal.

Annual Financial Statement

of Henderson.

ARPIL 18, 1894—APRIL 27, 1895.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand	$ 70 03	
Donations by Board	100 00	
Donations by Miss Kerr	5 00	
From goods sold	142 55	
		$317 58

EXPENDITURES.

For material	276 03	
For painting building	22 20	
1 doz. stools	2 50	
Picture of class for Magazine (requested by Board.)	2 00	
1 dozen charts	5 00	
		$307 73
Balance on hand		9 85

MARGARET KERR,

Industrial Teacher.

Knoxville College.

SEWING DEPARTMENT.

For want of room, this department was not opened this year until we entered the new building.

Miss Kerr, the sewing teacher, assisted Mrs. Wait in the training school.

Since the sewing room has been opened the Faculty has not been able to arrange the classes so that all who need sewing can take it.

The following is Miss Kerr's report:

This department has suffered somewhat in being discontinued while we were out of a school building.

First—It suffered financially in not being able to furnish aprons, sleeves, etc., in the fall when new students came in without such things.

Second—It suffered in that while the department was closed, the time heretofore given by some of the classes to sewing was otherwise taken up and has not yet been recovered.

During these four months but four classes have sewed regularly and full time. These are the lower grades: Second and third primary and "C" and "B" training. "A" training sews two days each week, forty minutes each day. "Intermediate" and "First Normal" *time* is otherwise occupied.

The four classes which have sewed regularly have spent the greater part of the time on models learning the different plain stitches, and have made commendable progress.

The average number of pupils sewing has been ninety-six (96.)

Number of articles made forty-one (41). Yards of material used sixty (60).

RECEIPTS.

Balance last year,	$14 50
For articles made,	6 15
Thimbles,	91
Donation,	5 25
Total,	$26 81

EXPENDITURES.

New material	$ 7 60
Needles, thread, etc.	4 30
Furnishing,	6 15
Total,	$18 05
Balance,	$ 8 76

Respectfully submitted,

HATTIE A. KERR.

Little Girls' Home.

The hard times has also affected this home. Though not so many in number, we think they are a better class of girls and that they come from better homes. We have had thirty-seven enrolled. Three of these are young women who assist the matron in overseeing the work. One receives all her boarding for doing the cooking; another receives half of her boarding for over-seeing the dish washing and cleaning dining room and kitchen, another the washing and ironing.

Of the thirty-seven enrolled, 13 were supported through the Women's Board, two by indivduals, one has no support, and the others are supported by parents and friends.

Little Boys' Home.

There has been enrolled in this home, twenty-two, besides the three young women who assist the matron in overseeing the work.

The character of the boys has been a decided improvement on the last years in the home. While rough and rude in many respects, yet there seems to be a foundation on which a useful manhood may be built.

They are all supported by parents and friends except two who have no support.

We had one case of Pneumonia in this home. He was quite a small child and a great care. When able to travel his mother came and took him home.

Dress Making Department.

I am sorry that we cannot make as good a report from this department as we would like. Being crowded for room at the beginning of the year, we did not make any effort to have persons from the city enter. Then the teacher (Miss Fisher) was taken with Typhoid fever and the sewing room was closed for six weeks.

About the time we entered the new building, we had very cold and disagreeable weather, which continued during the second term. This hindered the work quite a good deal. We hope to do better work in another year than has been done in the past.

Dress Making Department opened on Oct. 4th, 1894, with $3.24 in cash and $2.70 in material.

Number of pupils enrolled, 11.	
Received for sewing and tuition during October	$12 85
Received for sewing and tuition during November	8 20
Received for sewing and tuition during January	7 50
Received for sewing and tuition during February	10 50
Received for sewing and tuition during March	13 71
Received for sewing and tuition during April	10 20
Received in May and June, 1894	29 12
Total received from May 1894 until April 19th, 1895	92 08
Amount expended for magazines	2 74
System for Department	2 00
For thimbles (2 doz.), oil, needles, drafting paper, etc.	1 20
Whole amount expended.	5 94
Amount of work on hands unsold.	5 00
Number of students enrolled during year, thirty-two.	

MARY J. FISHER,

Teacher.

On account of sickness and death in family, Department did not open until Oct. 4th, and on account of illness in person, Department was closed from Nov. 12th, 1894, until Jan. 7th, 1895.

M. J. FISHER.

Cooking Department.

There are twenty-six in this department. We require them to cook the same meal for one year. We have three who get breakfast, one young man and two girls. As this is more than one hours work, we have two sets, three in each, they work alternate weeks. Working one week and free the next. The dinner cooks are taken from the Second Normal class, who have no recitations the last two hours before noon. They also work alternate weeks. As it takes much less work to get supper, we have only one set of workers for that meal.

Three students prepare vegetables for dinner, two others do pastry baking and six do the bread baking. They bake about 200 loaves each day. One makes the yeast, another mixes the bread, two mold the loaves, and two bake it.

One year may seem a long time to cook, but we find it takes about that time for them to learn to do their work quickly and well. Miss Kerr had charge of this department until the close of the first term, when she took charge of one of the grades in the Training School, and Miss Dickson from Bloomington, Ind., took her place.

Bible and Religious Work.

You will see from the bible readers report how her work is progressing. I have not been able to see much to this department, but the Colored people seem to have confidence in Miss McCahon although she talks to them very plainly. The wife of one of our elders tells how one of her neighbors, who formerly annoyed her very much by quarreling with her husband, has improved since she commenced attending Miss McCahon's sewing school for mothers.

Our girls have a Missionary meeting every Sabbath afternoon. They employ their time in gathering information concerning mission work carried on by our Church. They are also supporting a child in the school at Miller's Ferry. Before our last communion they had meetings every morning at 5:30, to pray for the outpouring of the Spirit, and for the conversion of certain students in whom they were interested.

A number of our most advanced students have organized, and are carrying on a Mission Sabbath-school. They have one hundred twenty-five (125) enrolled.

The young men have organized a Y. M. C. A. which meets in the same place at four o'clock, Sabbath afternoon.

Their object is to gather in the young men from the city, and they are very enthusiastic over it. Prof. Millen preachers in this same building on Sabbath night. They go around and invite people to attend. They have very fair audiences.

Another of our students meets with a class of about fifty women in the Baptist church on Tuesday night. They agreeing to read some three or four verses each day through the week then he explains and talks it over with them.

So the work goes on, a little here and a little there.

The following is Miss McCahon's report:

Bible Reader.

The interest in this part of the work is increasing. Our number has almost doubled and the attendance is

good. Formerly any trifling excuse was sufficient for remaining at home. If there was any sign of a cloud it looked too much like rain, to go out, and they were afraid it might storm before time to return.

This winter they came even when the snow was so deep that it was wading to get through.

They say they do not like to miss the bible reading and prayer meeting. One told us that through the influence of the Friday afternoon class she had been led to establish the worship of God in her family night and morning.

A husband reports that through the influence of these same meetings his wife had given up the companionship of women of questionable character, and is a much better wife and mother.

So we feel encouraged to think that the leaven of the Word is at work in their hearts. Others testify to a better acquaintance with God's word since the meetings were organized.

Number of visits made during the year	737
Number of garments completed during the year	110
Number of prayer meetings held	44
Number of meetings of sewing class	88

J. McCAHON.

MILLER'S FERRY, ALA.

Report of Sewing department, school term ending April 13th, 1895.

Average number of girls	78
Number of articles finished	92
No. of yards of cloth used	65¼
Money on hand	$ 7 06
Received for articles made	2 50
Received for old clothes	46 62
Total	$55 18

EXPENSES.

New material	$ 5 90	
General expenses	42 02	
Total		$47 92
Balance		$ 7 26

DONATIONS.

Jan. 25, Mrs. Grace Rankin, Clorinda, Iowa	$ 1 00
Jan. 2, Mrs. E. J. McPherson Pittsburg	3 00
Feb. 1, Mrs. Bessie B. Wilson, Columbus, Ohio	3 00

Enclosed you will please find a report of the clothing, etc., received and of the sewing department's work at our mission for the year ending April 19, 1895.

We have noticed marked improvement in the sewing room, many girls who could not sew a straight seam a year ago are now able to finish a garment very neatly.

During the last few weeks, since their plain sewing has been finished, some of the girls who can sew best have been taught to do some fancy work, such as crochet slippers, shawls, mats, hemstitched aprons, handkerchiefs and etching work on check aprons. This was introduced to deepen their interest in sewing and encourage a liking for pretty things and a spirit of home brightening, and has proved very successful. They now have many demands outside of the school for sewing, if time would allow them to do it.

Many of our people, and especially our school children had to wait more than two months for the things that were sent to them; so many of our barrels and boxes are brought to Gastonburgh, a railroad station nine miles across the river from the mission.

The roads are very rough, and in addition to the storage it costs quite a good deal to have them brought to us. Our nearest point is Selma, all boxes and barrels should be sent via Selma, as they are then brought by boat to our landing which is not farther than two miles from the school.

We thank our friends heartily for their kind thought of us and their many gifts to help the needy. They too join us in expressing gratitude and wishing for all God's blessings.

This term of school has been very pleasant; it being my desire to do all in my power to build up fallen humanity and our Lord's Kingdom. I have been greatly interested in doing it, and enjoyed the work very much.

We have been very much encouraged this year by having so many of our friends, who are interested in the work, visit us; and especially the ladies of the Board. We hope the future will bring again as many pleasant surprises.

Wishing you much success,

I am yours "In His name,"

ELIZABETH O. HERRON,

Industrial Teacher.

Miller's Ferry has in day school an enrollment of two hundred and seventy (270); Sabbath-school average attendance, two hundred twenty-seven (227); Church, two hundred forty-eight (248); Communicants, fifty (50).

They have a Mothers' Meeting, Missionary Society and Young People's Meeting; have raised their full quota to the Boards and given one hundred dollars to the new building at Knoxville College during the year.

A change was made in sewing teachers. Miss Johnson took part of the primary grades as her eyes were weak and the sewing hurt them. Miss Hebron was given the sewing. They have four teachers besides the sewing teacher.

Recommendations for the Coming Year

That the support of all work not completed be continued, viz.: Salaries and all necessary expense connected with instructions in sewing and cooking be met as before, including the sending of clothing to the needy missions.

The school building at Prairie Bluff, which is to be a memorial to Mrs. Jenny Hastings Gillespie, our loved Secretary of Junior Work, so suddenly called "home" during the past year, will be a part of the unfinished work. The new work is the Mission Home at Prairie Bluff, built at a cost of $700.00, and the support of two additional Industrial Teachers, one at Athens, Tenn., and one at Prairie Bluff, Ala., making us responsible for thirteen salaries. A request for the establishment of Agricultural Industrial training in Alabama has been presented to the Women's Board with the approval of the Freedmen's Board, and that all may have a clear idea of what is desired, we give the petition in full, and we ask the earnest and prayerful consideration of every member of the society to this important undertaking.

To the members of the Boards of the U. P. Church:

We earnestly beg your prayerful consideration of the following petition setting forth what seems to us a needed enlargement of the mission work here.

We are thoroughly convinced of the great importance of enlarging this work by the addition of more industrial features, and feel that without that feature of education we are loosing grand opportunities for helping our people in one of the most useful ways, namely, to help them in what they are especially weak and in which they sorely need help, how to do better work, take advantage of their circumstances, get out of the old order of things and become better producers.

They need new life by the infusion of brain power in their work, more energy, greater thrift and better economy.

To get this the hand must be trained along with the head and heart.

They will be greatly helped by a practical application of their education under the guidance of a skillful hand

and a wise management of such business as they are supposed to follow.

The good that a few well trained farmers and their wives may do; a few well trained teachers and their wives; a few ministers and their wives may do in their community, cannot be estimated.

There is beginning to be a restless spirit among the Southern white people in some localities.

They are waking up to the fact that in many respect they are behind. They feel that they have a great country which only needs proper development and cultivation to make it the garden spot of the world. They see a lack of thrift, a shortness of revenue and an existing poverty which they are anxious to change. Hence they are urging the importance of holding out special inducements immigrants.

The colored people here are at present in no condition to meet competition with thrifty skilled labor. The time may be near at hand when these large planters may sell their land to colonies of immigrants, who will cut the plantations up into small farms, change the methods of farming and the kind of productions.

If this should come before the negro is prepared for it what will be his fate? What will become of these millions of negroes who only know how to raise cotton and that under the direction of a manager.

Now is the golden opportunity for the negro, God is over-ruling the mistakes and sins of others for his good. Does he see it? No, but may we not hope his enlightened friends do and that God is using them in the display of his mercy. Lands are now cheap, the negro has a monopoly of nearly all the labor, this is his opportuuity and if now passed unimproved it may be lost forever.

To those who have been so faithful and true in darker days, we appeal for a careful consideration of the present needs and the grave responsibilities of the hour. Should the board conclude to undertake this feature of the proposed work or any part of it, we would propose this outline of a plan with the hope you may improve it or present something better.

PLAN.

FIRST. In addition to our present work, if the Board can see its way to do so, let it purchase a tract of land now while land is cheap and purchasable. For example there is a tract of about 600 acres, well timbered, and a good portion of which is under cultivation for sale, joining the mission property, it can be bought now for about $10 an acre, this we strongly urge the Board to buy.

First. Because it is for sale and is a desirable tract, made more so because of the school.

Second. If purchased by some one not friendly to the Mission such a party would be in a position to injure the work. This is possible from the following considerations:

(a) A large number perhaps one half of the scholars must, on their way to school cross this plantation.

(b) The school and postoffice which is near the school are places of general gathering from all the surrounding plantations.

(c) If the sale of *whiskey* is again *allowed* in the *County*, *this* is a *selected* spot for a saloon. *Its purchase* by the *Board would prevent such a calamity.*

SECOND. Let a portion of this land be reserved for a farm on which to train students in the art of farming the products of which be applied in running a boarding school.

THIRD. Let the remainder be cut up into small tracts, rented to reliable families, members of our church with

the privilege of buying such a tract, and let it be paid for in such payments, with or without interest, as the Board may see fit to require.

FOURTH. Let there be one superintendent or instructor of this business and farm work.

FIFTH. Let the industrial work for the girls include cooking, laundrying and sewing.

For the boys, farm work, farm management, poultry raising, dairying, and attention to stock with the addition of other industries as circumstances and time may allow.

SIXTH. The addition of a Bible School for the training of preachers, so planned as to allow them to work their way through this school. Let them spend one-half of the day in school, the other half on the farm, making rails, chopping wood, building fences and houses, at night attending lectures and Sabbath in evangelical work.

SEVENTH. Additional help required and additional expenses: A farm superintendent (or instructor) and matron. The Bible School may or may not require one instructor in addition to the pastor. It is quite certain that the pastor could do the work for the first year.

The aim of this school would be to teach the English Bible, Biblical Geography, drill in outline and delivering sermons with special emphasis on ministerial deportment, of which the ministry here has not the least conception.

For dormitory purposes we would hew the timber in the woods and build log houses, with no expense to the Board, except nails, hinges and windows.

We would have a preacher bring his family, go into the woods, chop logs and build his own house, allow him land enough to support himself and family while in school and in this way practically teach him how to economize and manage, and at the same time bring him and his family under strict and proper discipline thereby fitting him to be a leader for good in his community. We would not expect many students of this kind at first.

We would need means for their support the first year until we produced a crop. Afterward we think by wise management this department would be self-supporting.

FARM EXPENSES.

To begin we would need three mules cost $25 each, $75; one wagon, $25; three plows and harness, $30; hoes, shovels, axes, etc., $70. $200 or $250 would be, we think sufficient for an outfit for the farm.

This is a brief outline of a very much needed addition to the work. The intellectual and religious education of our people demand all of the attention they can get, but the industrial condition is presenting grave and serious aspects that require careful and serious consideration.

Having undertaken work among the freedmen and accomplished so much, we do not think the church on account of a small additional expenditure will lose the opportunity of doing a still greater work among them.

This is not altogether an experiment, Tuskegee and similar schools have demonstrated its wisdom and practicability, while the management of the Beloit Mission, similarly situated, with its 4,000 acres of land, declares its work a success.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. JOHNSON,
P. C. CLOUD,
TILLIE E. JOHNSON,
A. P. CLOUD,
M. L. JENKINS,
E. O. HEBRON,
L. E. JARNIGAN.

Those conversant with what is being done for the freedmen will recognize that this is no new idea. The Industrial Missionary Association of Alabama, organized in 1888, has now 4000 acres of land, a saw-mill, grist-mill, cotton gin, blacksmith shop, store, post-office; two railroad stations on land, three day and two night schools, two churches and three sabbath-schools and property worth $40,000, one hundred families live on the lands. Thus is seen what can be and is being done for the colored people in fitting them for not only earning an honest livlihood, but also procuring homes for themselves, all of which presents itself to us as a privilege and christian duty to aid them in accomplishing. As you have noticed the expenses incurred will be the salary of an instructor or manager, $50 a month and between $300 and $400 for implements.

We earnestly ask that each lady will give diligent attention to this matter and endeavor to interest her society when she returns home and let us all work together in helping these poor people to help themselves by becoming christian citizens, the highest type of citizenship known.

In response to this appeal the Women's Board took the following action viz:

Resolved—"That the Women's Board heartily approves of the plan of Agricultural Industrial Training as recommended by the Freedmen's Board and that we ask the Freedmen's Board to unite with us in petition to the General Assembly to commit this work for our colored people to the Women's General Missionary Society, as special work for the women of the church. The Freedmen's Board has agreed to this resolution and accordingly if this arrangement meets with the approval of the Women's General Missionary Society, a joint request will be sent to the General Assembly which will meet in Pittsburgh, Pa., May 22nd and if the request is granted, arrangements will be made for opening up this department at as early a date as possible."

Bedding and Clothing sent to

KNOXVILLE, TENN.

L. M. S., Richmond, Kan., carpet bedding and clothing.
" Garner, Ia., quilts and clothing.
" Shenango, Pa., bedding and clothing.
" 8th Church, Allegheny, Pa., 40 yards rag carpet.
" Murray, Neb., 1 box Christmas presents.
" Bellefontaine, O., 1 carpet and box clothing.
" Mumford, N. Y., 1 bbl.-$20.
Sabbath-school, Johnstown, Pa., Sabbath-school papers.
L. M. S., Northfield, Mich, 2 bbls.
" Rock Prairie, Wis., 1 bbl.
" Unity, Ia., 3 pkgs.
M. B., Ainsworth, Ia., 1 pkg.
L. M. S., Clearfield, Ia., 2 quilts.
" Birmingham Ia., 1 box.
" Goldfield, Ia., 1 box.
" Oskaloose, Ia., 1 box.
Mr. C. E. Stewart, Ind., 1 box shoes.
L. M. S., Richmond, Ind., 1 box.
Jr. M. S., Bloomington, Ind., 1 box.
L. M. S., Bloomington, Ind., roll carpet.
" Richland, Ind., 1 box.
" Rushville, Ind., 1 roll carpet.
" Garner, Kan., 1 bbl.
" Greely, Kan., 1 pkg.
" Ottawa, Kan., 1 box dolls.
" Garnett, 1 pkg. bedding.
" Blue Mound, Kan., 1 box papers.
L. M. S., Shushan, N. Y., 1 bbl.
" Munnford, N. Y., 1 bbl.
" South Argyle, N. Y., 1 bbl.
" Cambridge, N. Y., 1 bbl.
" Jefferson, Pa., 1 box.
" Butler, Pa., 1 box.
" Venice, Pa., 1 box.
" Robinson's Run, Pa., 1 box.
" Greenville, Pa., 1 box.
" Hamilton Ave., Pittsburg, Pa., 1 box.
" Cove, Pa. (McConnellsburg), 1 box.
" New Florence, Pa., 1 bbl.
" Verona, Pa., 1 bbl.
" J. & S., Chartiers, Pa., 2 bbls.

L. M, S., Fredericksburg, O., 1 pkg.
" Piqua, O., 1 pkg. bedding.
" Salt Creek, O., 3 quilts.
" Samantha, O., 1 pkg.
" Northfield, O., 1 box.
" Jamestown, O., roll carpet.
Y. L. M. S., 1st Church Monmouth, Ill., roll carpet.
" Kirkwood, Ill., 1 box papers books and toys.
" Englewood, Ill., 1 bbl.
L. M. S., Viola, Ill., 1 box.

ATHENS, TENN.

L. M. S. 1st Church, Washington, Io., 1 bbl clothing and new material $26.
" Etna, Pa., 1 bbl clothing.
" Greenside Ave., Canonsburg, 1 bbl.
" Verona, Pa., 2 bbls., $80.
" Minington, Io., 1 bbl.
" Coin, Io., 1 bbl.
" Chartiers, (Canonsburg) 1 bbl. $21.
L. H. S. 1st Church Allegheny, Pa., 1 bbl. $30.
L. M. S. Washburn, Ill., 1 box.

MILLER'S FERRY, ALA.

L. M. S. Tomsrock, Ill., 1 bbl.
" Bloomfield, Ohio, clothing and dried fruit.
" Rix Mills, Ohio, 1 box.
" Argyle, N. Y., 1 bbl. $15.
L. H. M. S. 1st Church Allegheny, Pa.. 1 bbl. clothing and new material. $30.
L. M. S. 1st Church, Cedar Rapids, Io., 1 bbl. $15.
" Neil Ave. Church, Columbus, Ohio, 2 bbls. $30.
" Avalon, Pa., 2 bbls. $25.
" Unknown, 15 boxes and bbls.
" Kartright Centre, N. J., 2 boxes.
" Cedarville, Ohio, 2 bbls.
" 2nd Church, Washington, Pa., 1 bbl.
" Etna, Pa., 1 bbl.
" Wheatland, Ill., 2 bbls.
Mrs. McPherson, Pitt., 1 bbl.
" De Lancy, N. Y., 1 bbl.
" West Hebron, N. Y., 4 bbls.

CHASE CITY, VA.

" New Bedford, Pa., 1 bbl.
" 1st Church, Indiana., Pa., 1 bbl.
" Claysville, Pa., clothing and new material,-$25.
" Butler, Pa., 2 boxes, hats, clothing,-$ 5.
L. M. S., West Philadelphia, Pa., 1 box.
" Kent, Pa., 1 bbl.

BLUESTONE, VA.

" 6th Church, Pittsburg, Pa., 1 bbl.
" Bellecentre, O., 1 box.
" Benevolent, 4th Church, Allegheny, Pa., 1 bbl.
" Washburn, Ill., 1 box.

HENDERSON, N. C.

L. M. S., West Newton, Pa., 1 bbl.
" Elderton, Pa., 1 box.
" Germano, O., 1 bbl. clothing and literature,-$35.
" 1st Church, Mercer, Pa., 1 bbl.
G. M. B., 1st Church, Monmouth, Ill., 1 bbl.-$25.
L. M. S., Plain Grove, Pa., 1 bbl
" 1st Church, Washington, Ia., 1 bbl.-$26.
" Murray, Neb., 1 box.
" Shadyside, Pittsburg, Pa., 1 bbl.
Friends, Mechanicstown, O., 1 pkg.
Missionary Society Junior Sabbath school North Bend, Neb., 1 bbl.
L. M. S. Coile, N. Y., 1 bbl.
Jr. M. S. 4th Church Allegheny, Pa., 1 bbl.
L. M. S. Cambridge, Ohio, 1 bbl. $30.
Mrs. B. A. Bubbit, Frankfort Springs, Pa., 1 package,

SOCIETIES AND INDIVIDUALS FURNISHING ROOMS IN THE "BOYS DORMITORIES" KNOXVILLE COLLEGE.

Mr. and Mrs. Mehla Ronet, Wooster, O. 1 room
Miss Libbie Reid, Cessayune, Wash. Co. N. Y. "
Miss Sarah Howe, Taylorstown, Pa. "
Miss N. J. McFarland, Cadiz, Ohio. "
Mrs. M. McCready, Cadiz, Ohio. "
L. M. S. 2nd Church, Washington Pa. "
Y. L. M. S. 2nd Church, Mercer, Pa. "
Jr. C. E. S. Calendonia, N. Y. "
L. M. S. Jersey City, N. J. "
" Bellefontaine, O. "
L. H. M. S. 1st Chnrch, Allegheny, Pa. "
Senior and Junior Young Peoples C. E. S. Kortright Centre, N. Y. "
L. M. S. Cove Cong., McConnelsburg, Pa. "
" Scio, Ohio. "
" Cross Roads, Wash. Co., Pa. "
O. Y. P. C. U., West Union, Alle. Co., Pa. "
M. B., Foster, Io. "

L. M. S. 1st Church Monmouth, Ill., one room.

L. M. S. Bellevue, Pa., one room.

Mrs. McGormey's Sabbath School Class, Cherry Fork, Ohio, one room.

Y. W. M. S. McDonald, Pa., one room.

L. M. S. Southfield, Mich., one room.

Muskingum Presbyterial Society, Ohio, one room.

Financial Statement.

Freedmen's General.

Balance 1894	3,716 83
Received	7,683 78
Disbursments	9,458 57
Balance 1895	1,942 04

Little Girls' Home.

Balance 1894	$ 16 38
Received	463 10
Disbursments	425 70
Balance 1895	53 78

Respectfully submitted,

C. JANE VINCENT,

Corresponding Sec'y.

REPORT OF THE

Secretary of Church Extension and Parsonage Work.

The year just ended has been an exceedingly busy one and notwithstanding the increased labor a pleasant and successful one but for the discouragement given many places for want of funds and the reluctance on the part of one congregation to comply with the regulations of the Board.

Aid to the amount of $10,450 has been given to seven congregations as follows: Oakland, Cal., $2,500; Second congregation of Denver, Col., $2,200; Topeka, Kan., $1,800; Detroit, Mich, $1,500; Rushville, Nebraska, $750 for ten years each; Dexter, Iowa, $700 for seven years; the house in Alliance, Nebraska, bought the year before from Rev. Albert Gordon and since that time used as a parsonage, has been sold to the congregation of that place, the Trustees giving a mortgage and notes for $1,000 for ten years. Previous to this $100 rent had been paid on it. Of this $10,450 granted, $5,000 is yet to be paid the borrowers with only $3,238 20 in the treasury with which to meet the obligation.

One congregation is a year and a half behind in its payments, another almost two years and a third three years, making an indebtedness to the Board of $1,020.53 but as the delinquents plead hard times patience has been exercised. The loans now number sixteen and are as follows:

	Annual payments.
Spokane, Wash. in fifth year	$329 60
Colorado Springs in fourth year	395 00
Findlay, Ohio in fourth year	220 00
Willamette, Ore., in third year	81 75
Neil Ave., Columbus, O., in third year	356 40
Second Church, Portland, Ore., in second year	211 88
Clearfield, Iowa, in second year, (int.)	16 00
Boyden, Iowa, in second year	96 00
Altoona, Pa., in second year	292 00
Alliance, Neb., in first year	100 00
Dexter, Iowa, in first year, interest	14 00
Detroit, Mich., in first year	166 50
Rushville, Neb., in first year	83 25
Second Church Denver, Col., in first year	244 20
Oakland, Cal., in first year	277 50
Topeka, Kansas., in first year	200 00

The Board since its organization has made loans for parsonage building amounting to $36,846. As stated above $5,000 of this is yet unpaid, $5,336 of this did not revert to this Board but to the Board of Church Extension.

Treasurers are urged to send money in monthly as directed in constitution and not hold until the last of the year.

Respectfully submitted

N. H. I. STEWART,

Corresponding Secretary.

REPORT OF THE

General Secretary for Junior Missionary Work.

The one who now presents this report to you was most unexpectedly called upon to take up this work, about three months ago.

Our much loved sister and Junior Secretary Mrs. T. J. Gillespie was on the evening of January 11th, suddenly, and without a moment's warning, called to be with her Saviour, whom we believe has said of her, "Father I will that she also whom Thou hast given Me, may be with Me where I am that she may behold My glory." As was expressed by another—"she was on the busy highway of life and coming to a little turn in the road she found herself at home."

It was with a sad heart, much discouragment, and a realizing sense of unfitness to fill the vacant place that we gathered up the threads of her work one by one to complete the unfinished webb.

Gladly would we pause to speak of her "gentleness which made her great;" her faith which enabled her to patiently wait until God opened up the way; of her consecration and love for her Saviour which so eminently fitted her for a leader; but as an opportunity will be given to every one at the close of this report to offer a tribute of love to her memory we will pass on to tell you something of her work.

It is three years since the present plan of organization for junior missionary societies was adopted by the Women's General Missionary Society and Mrs. Gillespie elected as general secretary with instructions that a secretary be appointed in every presbyterial. Last year twenty-seven were reported.

Although there are some who do not yet seem to fully understand the plan, we are glad to be able to report that societies are steadily coming into line under the revised constitution. At the November meeting of the Board, Mrs. Gillespie reported having visited Erie Presbyterial in the interests of her department. She also spoke of other invitations which she was obliged to decline because of the expense.

According to the direction of your Board, statistical blanks were prepared and sent out in February, to the Junior Secretaries of Presbyterials, or to the recording secretary, where no junior had been elected.

We regret that the statistics are very incomplete. Sixteen Presbyterials sent no report, and many of the Congregational Societies also failed to report.

Thirty-six Presbyterials report having elected Junior Secretaries.

The summary of the reports of Presbyterial Societies shows the following results:

Number Presbyterial Secretaries elected during the year	9
Number of societies	188

Number of new societies	29
Number of members including the above.	4,168
Number of new members	902
Number in Little Light Bearers division.	385
Honorary members	229
Total membership	4,502
Young women's divisions	62

Allegheny reports the largest increase in membership, 289; Omaha comes next with 118.

The number of societies reported may seem small but many have not been heard from and where there are two or three societies in one congregation such as Girls' Band, Boys' Band, King's Daughters, etc., they are counted as divisions of *one* society.

The Presbyterial Societies reporting the largest number of boys in proportion to their membership are Los Angeles and Central Ill. Los Angeles has two more boys than girls; Central Ill. they are about equal in numbers.

A large majority report they meet monthly. We would urge more frequent meetings either as a society or as divisions. The Constitution says weekly or semi-monthly. The same interest cannot be kept up where the society meets only once a month.

Thirty-six societies use the lessons in the Women's Missionary Magazine.

Contributions for the year are as follows:

For the Memorial Building at Prairie Bluff	$ 597 91
Foreign Missions	908 97
Home Missions	501 69
Parsonages	112 10
Freedmen	236 69
Orphans' Home	109 30
Memorial Hospital	90 52
Aged People's Home	105 00
Ministerial Relief	78 00
Miscellaneous	228 69
Congregational	834 74
Total	$3,803 61

Making an average of over 77½ cts. per member. No. of boxes and packages 37, value of same $296.45.

The largest amount contributed by any one Presbyterial was $1,123.00, the next 873.

The *special* work recommended to the junior societies the past year was the erection of a school building at Prairie Bluff, Ala., at a cost of $1,000.

As the above was the last request of our dear departed junior secretary, it seemed but a fitting tribute to her memory, that this building should be called the "Jennie Hastings Gillespie Memorial Building."

Although it is only six months since this request was made, nearly 600 dollars have been paid into this fund by the junior missionary societies. This amount, however, comes from less than one-half of our Presbyterials. The Junior Unions and Junior Endeavor societies have signified a willingness to assist in this work, and have paid to our general treasurer $27.

The plans for this building are all ready and the work will soon begin. Instead of $1,000 we have learned $1,286 will be needed, and this does not include the furnishing.

When asking for statistics, we have also asked societies to report as to encouragments and discouragments.

From all sections of the Church comes the uniform testimony of the great interest the children take in this work. Out of forty-four blanks received only two report a lack of interest on the part of the children. Among other encouragments mentioned are "Interest in Bible study." "Desire to take part in the meetings." "Interest in the lives of Missionaries." "Regular attendance." "Great interest the boys take."

One specially encouraging feature is that many of the members have been brought to confess Christ. One society reports five, another ten, and another

says: "Out of forty-seven members forty-five have come out on the Lord's side."

With such results as these placed before us, have we not great reason to rejoice that the Father's presence has been with us in this work, and will not we, as women, rise to the opportunity which is before us, reach out and utilize the power which lies in these young people, to help win the kingdoms of the earth for Christ?

Sad to relate the one discouragement reported over and over again is "Lack of interest on the part of parents."

Others say "Inability to find good leaders;" and "So many families live in the country too far from the church for the children to attend the meetings."

Another discouragement frequently mentioned is that we have two organizations in the church claiming to do the same work.

One secretary says: "I am discouraged because I have never succeeded in having a junior hour in our Presbyterial, although I have asked for it at every meeting."

Questions and suggestions were also asked for. Three different secretaries make the suggestion that we "have lessons published in leaflet form, as the magazine does not reach enough homes to make the information general;" another suggests that a paper or magazine be published monthly, especially devoted to junior missionary work; another says, "A child's history of our missions would be of untold value;" still others say, "Let us have lessons on the life of missionaries;" "Urge forming boy's divisions;" "Urge cradle roll as this division could easily be formed in the country."

Action was taken by your Board looking to the publishing of a paper in the interest of Junior Missionary Work. A committee was appointed and interviewed the editor of our Sabbath School periodicals, but because of the expense the matter was dropped.

As has been stated before, many requests have come to the Junior Secretary asking for a paper as one puts it, "our very own," that the societies may come in touch with each other and the work be better understood.

In order to meet this demand and to arouse a greater interest among the women of the Church in this work, a column on Junior Missionary Societies has appeared in two of our Church papers every other week for several months past also in Women's Missionary Magazine. That it has proved beneficial is evidenced by the letters of approval received from all parts of the church.

The following resolution was passed by the Women's Board at the February meeting, "That the Women's Board in all churches where it supports workers shall recommend the organization of the young people into Junior Missionary Societies."

It seems but reasonable that, as there is a junior organization under the care of the General Society and its Board of Directors, we should expect and urge the missionaries whom we support to organize Junior Missionary Societies thus making them auxiliary to the organization which is responsible for their work.

And now in closing we ask that every delegate here will say to her presbyterial that we want a Junior Missionary Society in every congregation. Why? First, because your Women's Board has by action said "We believe the Women's Society composed, as it is, largely of mothers, is the best agency to take charge of and push this work." Second, because we believe our plan of organizing in divisions with a leader to each division and a superintendent over all, is the best plan to develop and interest each individual member.

Third, because the future of our women's work depends upon our faithfulness in this department. If we are faithful to the trust committed to us we may expect that the best workers in our auxiliaries will come from these societies.

In a recent editorial in the United Presbyterian on why so few young men are in the church one reason given was, "Because they have not been trained from childhood in christian work, they have not been schooled to the thought that they are sent of God for the good of others, or that they are a part of that body of workers through whom the world is to be lifted to a higher plane." Thus you see we should begin in the cradle. Enroll the precious babes in the Light Bearers division that they may be sending out the "light of life" from their very birth.

May the Lord open the eyes of every mother in the church to see the importance of early identifying her children with this work of rescuing the millions who

"Have never learned the story
Of the loving Lord who saves,
And many hundred souls each hour
Sink down to Christless graves."

We would make the following recommendations; 1st, that you instruct the literature committee to publish in leaflet. form some of the lessons on the mission work of our church, that have appeared from time to time in the Women's Missionary Magazine, the selection to be left to the judgment of the committee.

2nd, that where Presbyterial Junior Secretaries are at all capable that they be retained in office for more than one year.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. N. WYLLE STEVENSON.
161 Locust Street,
Allegheny, Pa.

REPORT OF THE

Secretary of the Literature Committee.

It is encouraging to report a slight advancement in literature work, although it is yet far below the standard it should attain. More leaflets have been purchased and distributed this year than during the preceding one, and we close our account with a small balance in the treasury. Allow me here to render praise to whom praise is due and state that this satisfactory condition of affairs is mainly due to the careful and prudent management of the assistant secretary, Mrs. E. J. McPherson.

No special contributions are received for literature work; debts incurred in this department have to be paid out of the contingent fund of the Board which at the close of the year is generally exhausted. The committee therefore decided to conduct the work on strictly business principles, making it if possible, self-supporting.

We trust any who may have wished for a more generous distribution of literature will be charitable in judging of our management and appreciate the trial it was to refrain from sending these printed messages into every society regardless of consequences.

Last year Presbyterial Societies were urged to appoint literature secretaries.

Fifty-eight Presbyterial Societies were reported in the statistics of last year. The names of only seventeen literature secretaries have been sent to the committee. A few societies having no regular secretary do good work through some of the other officers. But the fact is evident that as yet little interest is manifested and little support given to this department.

Our leaflets, carefully selected, ought to be helpful in many ways. They contain useful and instructive reading, reading which might be used with advantage in women's meetings, as well as dialogues and recitations for Junior societies; could be distributed among the poor who possess little reading matter or used in conveying a message of comfort to some despairing soul.

Dear friends, scarcely a beginning has been made in this department. It sustained and encouraged by your patronage it may become a powerful agent for good. It is in your hands to make it what you will.

Financial statement for the year ending April 1st, 1895.

Received from sales as follows:

12,817	Leaflets	$123 92
23	Account Books	2 05
30	Rules of Order	1 55
30	Folios.	3 00
25	Mission Band Helpers	11 74
1,095	Collection Cards	9 13
174	Cradle Cards	5 95
673	Mite Boxes	13 46

23 Books of the Bible	85
112 Thank Offering Service	60
Total amount received	$172 25
Cash paid for Leaflets Cards and boxes,	$113 74
Express and postage	19 50
Total amount	$133 24
Balance on hands	39 01

Your committee also report free distribution of

873 Leaflets.
25 Mite Boxes.
3 Rules of Order.
3 Mission Band Helpers.
1 Account Book.
1 Folio.

Committee:

ANNIE R. HERRON, Sec'y,
MRS. E. J. MCPHERSON,
Asst. Sec'y,
MRS. W. J. ROBINSON,
MRS. E. M. HILL,
MISS ELIZABETH SCHWARBERG.

REPORT OF THE

Thank-Offering Committee.

Can anything come to a child of God for which he should not be thankful?

When the sky is clear it is easy to look up in gratitude and say "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name," but when trouble comes, and clouds appear, and for a little season God's face seems hidden, what then? The christian's song of thanksgiving is often not so full, nor its tones so distinct. But should this be? If we are truly God's own children should we not mount up on wings of faith far above these clouds of difficulty and sing for joy. "All things work together for good to them that love God and are called according to His purpose?" Let us thank God to-day for this assurance. "*All things*", whether clouds or sunshine, joy or sorrow, success or failure, "*all* things work together for good." Let us remember that with every pulse beat come such blessings from above as should tune every heart to one continuous song of thanksgiving. Our blessings! Who can number them? Our mercies! Who can recount them? Our privileges! Who can realize them? Our opportunities! Who is sufficient for them?

To be ever receiving and seldom giving is a degree of ingratitude of which no christian should be found

guilty, and yet at the bar of justice, who could plead innocent? At the threshold of this new year an important question presses forward for an answer nanely: What shall hour by hour and day by day of the coming twelve months record for us? Shall it be "freely receiving, freely giving" or "blessings and mercies new every moment but the Giver forgotten?" To us individually is given the power to answer. What shall it be? It is a beautiful custom established by the women of our churches to give regularly to the Lord through monthly contributions to the missionary societies, but the training of our christian women as givers should not end there. Rather should our aim be to go up step by step, until the topmost rung of the ladder of giving is reached, until we have come to that height where "every petition passes into a song of thanksgiving, and where every gift is crowned with a thank-offering."

It is stated that excavations in the city of Rome have uncovered a spring of great purity, and near its surface the workmen have found golden cups that had evidently been thrown into the refreshing liquid as tokens of thankfulness by those who had slaked their thirst there. As the work of clearing the spring progressed, silver cups were found, further down bronze cups were unearthed and still further down, stone cups, every age had given its best gift as a sign of gratitude for the blessing received. Living as we do to-day, not in the city of pagan Rome, but the favored land of America, where the water of life is so freely offered with which to slake our spiritual thirst, what is our offering? Are we not lingering too long in the bronze or copper age, and is it not time we are turning from this to take up the silver cup of thanksgiving, and through it reach beyond to the age of *golden* offerings to the Lord; golden not because of their *metallic* value, but because each gift is accompanied by earnest prayer and heart praise, *being the best we have.* Mr. Spurgeon once said, "the time will come when from all ranks and from all nations the Lord will receive gifts of thanksgiving whenever and wherever God's people gather together for His worship." Why should not our beloved United Presbyterian Church under God's blessing and through the efforts of her devoted women, *lead* in hastening the fulfillment of such a wonderful prophecy?

True, we as a church, have not the weath of many others, neither have we the numbers, for we are but a Benjamin among the tribes, but we may have the courage, we may have the ability, we may have the zeal, we may have the consecration for such a laudable effort, if we will but seek it at the hand of the Lord.

While each part of every machine however insignificant it may seem to be in itself, has its own important place to fill in the production of material it is formed to make, so every member of our congregational societies has an important part to perform toward lifting the whole church to a higher plane of giving.

During the last nine months, your secretary aided by an efficient committee, Mrs. G. W. MacDonald and Mrs. E. S. McKitrick, has, through the kindness of the editors of the church papers and the Women's Magazine, been enabled to keep the subject of giving in all its phases before the church, in a monthly column of "Selections on Giving." As a result, the thank-offering spirit everywhere, gives indications of deepening in intensity and improving in character; less of the spasmotic giving and more of the regular systematic giving. It is a pleasure for your secretary to report that early preparation

is being made by many societies for the ingathering of offerings this coming year. This is indicated by a larger number of boxes having been ordered during the past month of April, than for the same month, of any previous year.

But the women of our churches have not yet put forth their full power in this line of work for the Master. Therefore it is recommended by the Women's Board that a thank-offering secretary be appointed, at as early a date as possible, in every presbyterial, whose duty it shall be, to keep the subject of giving of thank-offerings before the auxillary societies, and have therein appointed a committee to secure boxes and make the effort to place at least one "blessing box" in every home in the congregation.

The following is the statistical report of the Thank Offering Secretary, from April 15, 1894 to April 15, 1895.

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By cash paid for sundry items as follows:	
4,000 Thank-Offering boxes	$ 20 00
15,000 Seals for same and freight . . .	6 80
20,500 Thank-Offering envelopes and freight	12 46
3,000 Copies of leaflets "Appeal to the women of the church."	10 25
2,500 Thank-Offering Responsive Services.	5 00
5,000 Thank-Offering Service "The Christian Life".	34 75
Postage and express on Boxes and envelopes sent free to societies	11 56
Total	$ 100 82

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To Cash received—	
1,259 Copies Responsive Services . . .	$ 5 27
350 Copies The Christian Life	4 37
452 Copies Appeal to women, etc. . .	1 38
Total	$ 11 02

Distributed free—

4,629 Thank-Offering boxes.
12,669 Thank-Offering envelopes.
4,629 Leaflets Appeal to women, etc.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY CLOKEY PORTER,

Secretary.

Women's General Missionary Convention.

I appear before you in the interests of the United Presbyterian Women's Association. At our regular meeting held in Pittsburg, April 19th, 1895, I was honored with the commission to bear you some tidings as to the work and progress of the three Institutions under our immediate supervision in Pittsburg and Allegheny, or as some would say the—the Greater Pittsburg.

We United Presbyterians are just a little inclined to think that our work and our United Presbyterian Association, has, since its organization, seventeen years ago, been quite a factor in making at least a greater interest throughout our own beloved church in that locality, and a greater portion of this interest, we think, centers around our three Institutions, provided for the Orphans, the Sick and the Aged.

THE ORPHANS' HOME.

We again introduce to you the oldest of our Institutions, the Orphans' Home, and as you are all probably well aware, it dates its organization back seventeen years, and during all these years we have been prospered and permitted to care for nine hundred and seventy-one little ones. During the last year, or since May 1894, we have received twenty-nine strange faces, making at present, fifty-one inmates in our home.

Of those received and in our care last year, quite a number have been given to relatives. Our aim is to try and provide for them good Godly homes, as soon as practicable for them to leave us. We retain the boys until they are twelve years, and the girls until they are of age. One regret and sorrow we have, is, that under our present regulation and rules, we have to part with our boys so soon.

We feel as though boys twelve years of age are too tender to have to go out into the world and meet the trials and temptations of life, still we have had many encouraging and helpful letters, even from some of them who have left us. Permit me to give you an extract from a letter just received from a little boy quite well written and which reads thus: "Enclosed find one dollar and a half, which I desire given to the Orphans' Home. I came from the Orphans' Home nearly two years ago. I have a good home, go to Deer Creek U. P. church, Rev. W. J. McClintock, pastor. I attend Sabbath School. I hope the children at the Home will all get as good a home as I have. The above is my Thank Offering."

It not only affords us pleasure to receive such letters, but leads us to hope that the seeds sown in youth, may bring fruit at the last great day.

A new feature in our Home work is a well organized Junior Missionary Society, under the supervision of Miss Jennie Musgrave, with six young lady assistants.

The children, as is natural to suppose, have but few pennies, yet their monthly collections for the Master's work, amounted to four dollars and a half.

In order that they might be partici-

pants in the Mrs. Jennie Hastings Gillespie Memorial, at Prarie Bluff Mission, Ala., the superintendent gave an entertainment at the Home, March 27, assisted by the six leaders. The children sang and recited remarkably well, and after thus entertaining us for a time, the Junior's served coffee and cake to all present, charging twenty-five cents admission fee, and thus they realized for this Memorial, twenty-four dollars and fifty cents.

The children of the Home have a beautiful banner, and when the annual rally is held, no children take a more prominent part than do the children of the Orphans' Home. While we feel glad we have been, by the liberality of the church, permitted to do so much for the orphans yet we feel there is much yet left undone, and would call special attention to one department we very much need, and that is a provision for infants. We have many applications for the admission of babes and are obliged to refuse them constantly until they are two years old, for two reasons, we have not room, nor the means to hire nurses for such little ones. Our present nurse looks after all who are too young to attend school, and you mothers will know her hands are full. We, however, hope the day is not distant when we can enlarge our Home, and the church give us sufficient to care for these motherless babes, and train them for the Master, who said, "Of such is the kingdom of heaven."

THE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

The second in age is our Memorial Hospital, organized Jan., 1889, now in its sixth year. During that time we have cared for, up till last annual report, four hundred and twelve, and since, or during this year eighty-eight, making five hundred patients receiving care and medical treatment. Some of you have seen our hospital. We wish you all could visit us. Others, or all of you have seen a picture of it, but to those of you who have not visited it, permit me to take you through it as I see it.

First go with me to the Mary S. Fulton ward and talk of our patients. Our oldest, and only daughter at home all the time, is called Martha. She is thirteen years old and has curvature of the spine, and suffers a great deal. Our nurse, Mrs. Ferry, exercises with her every day in a course of gymnastics, to try and strengthen her limbs and muscles. Besides this, Dr. Kelly comes twice a week and treats her to a special course of treatment. Another patient, (I was going to say interesting,)—but all are interesting, a little colored boy named Rolla Lee, has been in bed for three months. He has hip joint disease, and has to wear a plaster paris casing on his hip. He is good and patient. You will see in the corner of the room an operating table. It is solid oak, and in front is a silver plate with the names of the little girls who donated it. A few weeks ago a little boy five years was placed on it. His name is Andrew Ludwig. His knees came together so closely that his feet turned out.

His mother is dead, and he has no friends who ever come to see him. Six physicians gathered round the table, four of our staff, a specialist and a physician from one of our large hospitals. We visited him two weeks ago and found him smiling and happy in bed, ready to play with his toys, and giving hope that the operation would be a success.

Now we will go to the contagious ward. We wish we could give you a view of it. If you could but see it we feel sure every woman and child in our church would be eager to send us a contribution to help get a better place to treat our contagious cases.

When the hospital was built, this ward was intended for an attic, but so

often we have a patient in the surgical ward, and a number in Mary S. Fulton ward, that we dare not take a child suffering with the most simple disease into either of these wards. We have a small bath room partitioned off, and everthing is as clean as it can be made.

The walls are all painted and varnished, and all due sanitary precaution taken.

We have no doubt the inquiry has come to your mind, what is done with *convalescent* children? Where is *their* ward? Our answer is, we have no convalescent ward, and our work is doubly hard because of it.

Just imagine in our homes when our sick children are recovering from illness, we do not have to ask them not to laugh outright, or not make a noise, that will in any way disturb the other children that are still very ill, but rather induce them to forget pain and suffering by change of location, and for such an improvement, we would be glad to receive assistance. We have a special fund designated, amounting to about three thousand dollars for a building fund, and hope to see it rapidly increase, so that we may be able soon to add a convalescent ward, and increase our facilities for more efficient work.

The past year has been the best year the hospital has had since it opened its doors, larger contributions of money have been received.

A more liberal spirit manifested, and the work is growing. The Master, through His servants, has done great things for us and we are glad, but He expects more than gladness from us. One of the brightest glimpses we have of our heavenly home is where we are told, "Neither shall there be any more pain."

THE HOME FOR THE AGED.

Opened September 1892. It is located on beautiful grounds in the East End, Pittsburg, away from noise and turmoil of business, and seems an appropriate place to pass the declining years of life, in the quiet, and yet beautiful suburbs of our city. We have eighteen old ladies in our Home, all of whom have been remarkably well during the past year.

Service has been held in the Home every Sabbath afternoon, by our ministers and laymen of this vicinity, and to them, and the young ladies and gentlemen, who assist in the singing, we render thanks in making this hour the brightest in the week for these aged ones. To the many friends who have assisted in making the Home what it is, we would say, your responsibility does not end here. Visit it and talk with those who are shut off, as they are, from the activities of life to which they were once accustomed. The visiting day is Thursday afternoon of each week, but friends living at a distance, not finding that date convenient are welcome whenever they come. We expect those of mature years to provide for the aged, but it is especially pleasing to have the youth of the church contribute money to carry on the good work, as well as give a number of useful articles for their comfort. We receive many donations of fruits from the different Women's Missionary Societies. A committee from a Society recently visited the Home and gave an apron to each old lady which pleased them very much. We have received contributions from the west and from the east, but recently one has come from an old Aunty, from Henderson, N. C., who to-day might still be in ignorance had not Dr. Fulton been providentially sent there to tell them that our Lord came to save all men, irrespective of color or condition of life.

She only earns three dollars per month, and out of her small earnings she has sent us one dollar, as

she quaintly says, "To help make comfortable the aged of a race that has done so much for my race, and how glad I am that they have such a beautiful Home, for when I get too old to work, no Home is open to me but the poor house." Then again she says, "I never knew until Dr. Fulton came, that the same bible we had here in slavery is the same there is now." So dear friends, our Mission in the South is bearing good fruit everywhere in lifting the lowly and neglected from the depths of sin and misery to which they have been held for many generations, and prepare them for the rich inheritance prepared for the children of God.

We thank you all for what you have contributed to promote the welfare of our Home, and we extend a cordial invitation to attend our lawn fete in June, and make it a financial success, in making the way clear for us to increase our accommodations to admit the aged lonely ones, who are constantly inquiring, "when will you have room?"

The Home is too small to accommodate all those who wish to enter, more room is imperative, which can be secured by the addition of a wing containing a number of small rooms, so that each old lady may have a room to herself, and also to make provision for the aged men who are now seeking admission to our home.

Applications are increasing in number, and we now issue an appeal to the friends of the aged throughout the church, hoping they will remember the Home in its needs and contribute largely of their means, and thus enable this Institution to bring within its sheltering arms many other needy ones.

There is much more regarding these three Institutions I would like to say, but I fear you may weary, so will close our subject that is always dear to us with the words of the Psalmist:

"Thy work unto Thy servant show,
Thy glory let their children know,
And let there be on us bestowed,
The beauty of the Lord our God.
The work accomplished by our hand,
Let it by Thee established stand."

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

The work of the Women's Association, What is it? What does it do? and how does it do it?

First, what is it? It is a chartered organization of United Presbyterian women who have and hold the properties pertaining to the different Institutions described in the former part of my paper.

Second, what does it do and how? It takes entire supervision of all the work performed by these Institutions through a board of directors who are elected annually. These directors hold a meeting on the first Friday of each month, at which time, all important business is discussed, and questions decided are reported by the Secretary of the Board to the Association.

Any one by the payment of one dollar can be a member. We now have two hundred and eight names. What a work might be accomplished by the fifty thousand women in our church if each one was a member. What a revenue from this source alone. Now two hundred eight dollars $(208.00) then fifty thousand dollars ($50,000).

Enlargement is the cry from each of our Institutions, and we look to the United Presbyterian church of North America to help us. What easier plan than the one mentioned above? Each woman a member? Each one feeling some special interest in it? Each one a contributor.

On the wall in the church, where we met last year, was the pertinent query, Are you a member? It is still a question, and may I not urge that each one present will not only be a member, but take such an interest in our three In-

stitutions as to enroll your name and see to it that others in your church at home will do the same.

Remember Christ's words while on earch, "I must work the works of Him that sent me while it is day, the night cometh when no man can work."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. C. HODGE.

Financial Statement Women's Missionary Magazine.

For period covered by July 3d, 1874, and April 30th, 1895, inclusive.

RECEIPTS.

1894.		
July 3.	J. G. Carson ex-treas.	$ 410 00
July 6.	J. G. Carson ex-treas.	100 00.
July 7.	J. G. Carson ex-treas.	200 00
Aug. 9.	J. G. Carson ex-treas.	80 34
1895.		
Feb 11.	J. G. Carson, Note	1,000 00
	Interest, 6 months,	30 00
		$1,820 34

July 3d, 1894 to April 30, 1895.

Magazine Subscriptions . .		$2,396 77
Resolutions		34 11
"Porter" Picture.		15 00
Advertisements . .	$12 50	
Advertisements . .	18 33	30 83
Total		$4,297 05

DISBURSEMENTS.

Record Mortgage	$ 1 00
Printing Magazine 10 mo's	2,019 77
Engraving magazines . .	94 00
Cabinet for Cuts and mailing list type.	47 22
Literary Contributions and assistance	40 00
Binding 4 Vol. magazine..	3 60
Periodicals., ...	18 10
Stationery, Postage and incidentals, ...	36 15
Telephone Rent	25 00
Traveling expenses . . .	2 05
Call loan made Aug. 20, 1894, interest at 4 per cent. per annum. . . .	800 00
Cash (schedule "B") Balance in Bank.	1,210 16
Total	$4,297 05

STATEMENT OF

RESOURCES.

Cash in Bank	$1,210 16
Note—Call loan, face	800 00
Accrued Interest to April 30,	22 22
Total actual and estimated	2,032 38

LIABILITIES.

None.

Respectfully submitted,

BELLE MCD. PATTERSON,

Treasurer.

XENIA, OHIO, May 6th, 1895.

I hereby certify that the foregoing statement is a true abstract of the business transactions of the Women's Missionary Magazine Committee for period named, as taken from their books, &c.

GEO. W. KENDALL,

Accountant.

NINTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Treasurer of the Board of Directors of the Women's General Missionary Society.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND BALANCES.

	Balances, April 16th, 1894.		Receipts.	Disbursements.	Balances, April 15th, 1895.	
	Dr.	Cr.			Dr.	Cr.
Foreign Missions, General		$ 8,144 96	$ 8,104 48	$ 5,312 05		$10,937 39
" " Special		148 00	3,008 60	2,913 60		243 00
" " Salaries		2,037 20	9,304 86	9,250 00		2,092 06
Home Missions, General		16,190 16	7,294 88	5,501 10		17,983 94
" " Warm Spring Indians		3,091 32	3,226 74	3,646 80		2,671 26
Freedmen's Mission, General		3,716 83	7,683 78	9,458 57		1,942 04
" " Little Girls Home, Tenn.		16 88	463 10	425 70		53 78
Church Extension and Parsonage		2,623 16	6,888 92	6,273 82		3,238 26
Church Extension, Special			693 64	645 64		48 00
Ministerial Relief Work		680 83	330 81	152 44		859 20
Orphans' Home, Allegheny			374 59	374 59		
Memorial Hospital			302 27	302 27		
Aged People's Home			666 18	636 90		29 28
Contingent Fund		31 30	1,872 83	1,327 86		576 27
Life Memberships		1,015 00	75 00			1,090 00
Legacies		150 00				150 00
Investments	$23,100 00		2,500 00	3,594 13	$24,194 13	
Funds held in Trust		1,000 00				1,000 00
	$23,100 00	$38,845 14	$52,790 68	$49,815 47	$24,194 13	$42,914 48

Total Balances on hand, April 16th, 1894	$15,745 94
Receipts for the Year ending April 15th, 1895	52,790 68
Total	$68,535 82
Disbursements for the Year ending, April 15th, 1895	49,815 47
Total Balances on hand, April 15th, 1895	$18,720 35

The Thank-offering account for 1894 closed on July 3d, and amounted to $15,918.42. The amounts designated were as follows:

Endowment Fund of Xenia Theological Seminary	$ 286 59	
Endowment Fund of Waitsburg Academy	47 00	
South Park Chapel, Princeton, Ind	100 00	
Fifth Church, Chicago	28 77	
Second Church, Indianapolis, Ind	14 08	
Ministerial Relief Work	15 16	
Orphans' Home	8 65	
Memorial Hospital, Allegheny	120 00	
Aged People's Home	197 75	
Contingent Fund	177 39	
Total amount designated		$ 995 39

The remainder was divided as follows:

Foreign Missions	$3,730 75	
Home Missions	1,730 75	
Warm Springs Indians	2,000 00	
Freedmen's Missions	3,730 75	
Church Extension and Parsonage	3,730 78	$14,923 03
Total		$15,918 42

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. SLOAN, Treasurer.

I have examined the foregoing statements and find them correct. Have also examined the accounts of the Treasurer for the year ending April 15th, 1895, compared the receipts with bank deposits and disbursements with vouchers, and find all correct.

A. F. SAWHILL, Auditor.

CHARTRR

OF THE

Women's General Missionary Society

OF THE

United Presbyterian Church of North America.

Be it known that the subscribers have associated themselves together for the purpose of supporting missions in our own and heathen lands, and being desirous of becoming incorporated agreeably to the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled, "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain incorporations," approved the 29th day of April, A. D. 1874, and its supplements, do hereby declare and certify that the following are the purposes, objects, articles and conditions of their said association, for and upon which they desire to be incorporated.

I. The name of the corporation shall be "The Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America.

II. The corporation is formed for the purpose of co-operating with the Boards of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, in the support of missions and medical missionary institutions, and of erecting mission churches and homes for missionaries, in this and other lands, subject to the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America.

III. The place where the business of said corporation is to be transacted is in the City of Pittsburgh, in the State of Pennsylvania.

IV. The corporation is to have perpetual existence.

V. The names and residences of the subscribers are as follows:

1. Mrs. Eliza J. McPherson, Swissvale, Pa.
2. Miss Margaret M. Shaw, Bellevue, Pa.
3. Mrs. Annie R. Herron, Allegheny.
4. Mrs. Elizabeth M. Campbell, Allegheny.
5. Mrs. Agnes K. Duff, Allegheny.
6. Mrs Mary Sampson, Allegheny.
7. Mrs. Mary J. Wallace, Pittsburgh,
8. Mrs. Mary W. Porter, Pittsburgh.
9. Miss E. D. Brown, Pittsburgh.
10. C. Jane Vincent, M. D., Allegheny.
11. Mrs. Nancy H. I. Stewart, Stewart, Pa.
12. Miss Elizabeth J. Sloan, Pittsburgh.
13. Mrs Mary B. Reid. Pittsburgh.
14. Mrs. Sarah J. Burchfield, Allegheny.
15. Mrs. Helen H. Johnston, Washington, Pa.

VI. Defining the membership. The corporation has no capital stock. The members thereof shall be composed of delegates chosen by the several Presbyterial Missionary Societies of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, who shall serve for one year, and of persons who may be chosen as directors of this corporation.

VII. The corporation is to be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of fifteen members, who shall hold their office for the term of (3) three

years, (5) of whom shall be elected annually.

The names and residences of the Board of Directors are as follows:

1. Mrs. Eliza J. McPherson, Swissvale, Pa.
2. Miss Margaret M. Shaw, Bellevue, Pa.
3. Mrs. Annie R. Herron, Allegheny.
4. Mrs. Elizabeth M. Campbell, Allegheny.
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13. Mrs. Mary B. Reid, Pittsburgh.
14. Mrs. Sarah J. Burchfield, Allegheny.
15. Mrs. Helen H. Johnston, Washington, Pa

Who shall hold their office for three (3) years. The corporation shall have power to hold, purchase and transfer such real and personal property as its purposes may require, not exceeding the amount limited by law, and all the property thereof shall be taken and held in the corporate name, to inure subject to the control and disposition of the lay members of said corporation.

VIII. The corporation shall have power to make by-laws and the same to alter, amend and repeal, subordinate to this charter, the statute aforesaid, and the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the constitution of the United States which by-laws shall be deemed and taken to be the law of said corporation. Said by-laws shall prescribe the powers and functions of the directors herein named and their successors, the times of the meeting of the directors and of this corporation, both for business and religious purposes and the manner in which special meetings may be called; the number of members who shall constitute a quorum at the meeting of the corporation; the manner of selecting officers, and the powers and duties of said officers and all other concerns and internal management of said corporation.

WITNESS our hands and seals, this twenty-eighth day of September, in the year of our Lord. one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight:

1. Eliza J. McPherson,
2. Margaret M. Shaw,
3. Annie R. Herron,
4. Elizabeth M. Campbell,
5. Agnes K. Duff,
6. Mary J. Wallace,
7. Mary P. Samson,
8. Elizabeth D. Brown,
9. C. Jane Vincent, M. D.
10. Mary W. Porter,
11. Nancy H. I. Stewart,
12. Elizabeth J. Sloan,
13. Mary B. Reid,
14. Helen H. Johnston,
15. Sarah J. Burchfield.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, } ss.
COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY. }

Before me, the subscriber, Recorder of Deeds of the County of Allegheny, personally appeared Annie R. Herron, Elizabeth M. Campbell and Agnes K. Duff, three of the subscribers to the above and foregoing certificate of incorporation of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, and in due form of law acknowledged the same to be their act and deed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal, this 13th day of November, A. D. 1888.

WM. H. GRAHAM, Recorder.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

CORPORATE MEETINGS.

The annual meeting of the corporation shall be held in the city of Pittsburg, county of Allegheny, and state of Pennsylvania, on the fourth Friday of the month of May, at such hour and place as the Board of Directors may appoint, for the election of Directors and other officers and agents, and the transaction of the business of the corporation. No person shall be entitled to a voice or vote at such annual meeting except the delegates chosen by the several Presbyterial Missionary Societies of the United Presbyterian Church of North America to attend the General Convention of said Presbyterial Societies. Ten delegates shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE II.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

1. Each Director must be a member of a Presbyterial Society. The Board shall organize at the first stated meeting by electing by ballot the following officers from their own number, viz., a President, two Vice-Presidents, Recording Secretary, three or more Corresponding Secretaries, Treasurer, and such other officers as shall, from time to time, be necessary to promote the interests of the work.

2. The Board shall take charge of all the work of the corporation, devise ways and means for carrying on that work, give aid to all the various departments of the mission work undertaken by the other Boards of the church in sending out foreign missionaries, supporting native helpers, bible women and children in schools, and supporting missionaries and teachers in the home field, and for this purpose it shall receive and disburse all moneys which shall be placed in its charge by auxiliary societies.

3. The Board shall have power to enter into agreements and make regulations for co-operation with the other Boards of the Church, subject to the approval of the General Assembly and Missionary Society, to make purchases of real estate and to sell and convey the same, to sign notes and obligations for the corporation, and to use the corporate seal, attested by the President and Secretary of the Board, and shall report the same to the Society. Provided that no obligation shall be given or conveyance made without a two-thirds vote of the Board.

4. The Board shall hold its stated meetings the first Tuesday of each month at such time and place as it shall appoint. Eight members shall constitute a quorum.

5. The President shall preside at all the meetings of the Board, appoint all committees and perform such other duties as belong to her office. She shall call special meetings at the request of three Directors, and be *ex-officio* a member of all committees.

6. The senior Vice President, in the absence of the President, shall perform all the duties of her office.

7. The Recording Secretary shall be sworn and shall record all the votes of the corporation and of the Board of Directors, and the minutes of the other transactions. She shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Board, send

out all blanks and papers and prepare an annual report to be presented to the General Missionary Society and to the General Assembly.

8. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretaries to conduct any official correspondence with the other Boards of the church; also all the correspondence with the other Boards of the church; also, all the correspondence with missionaries, native helpers, bible women, teachers and others supported by the corporation. They shall prepare annual reports of all work undertaken by the Board to be presented to the General Missionary Society and the General Assembly.

9. The Treasurer shall give bond to the amount of five thousand dollars ($5,000). She shall keep all money of the corporation in a separate account to her credit as Treasurer, and shall disburse it as the Board of Directors shall order. She shall report the state of the treasury at each regular meeting, and close her books on April 15th of each year. Her annual report endorsed by the Auditing Committee, shall be presented to the General Missionary Society and the General Assembly.

10. There shall be an Executive Committee composed of the officers and two Directors, who shall have power to transact any business that may require attention in the intervals between the stated meetings of the Board.

11. A failure of any Director to be present at three regular consecutive meetings of the Board without excuse shall be considered a resignation; and action taken accordingly.

12. The Board of Directors shall have power to fill all vacancies occurring in the Board during the year.

ARTICLE III.

MISSIONARY SOCIETIES AND GENERAL *CONVENTION.

1. For the furtherance of the objects and purposes of this corporation the Board of Directors shall approve and encourage the organization of Missionary Societies, both Congregational and Presbyterial, throughout the entire church, and shall provide for a General Convention of the said Presbyterial societies. The delegates from the Presbyterial societies shall be in the following proportion: each Presbyterial society shall be entitled to two delegates; each Presbyterial society consisting of more than five Congregational societies shall be entitled to one additional delegate for every additional five Congregational societies.

2. The object in the establishment and convention of such societies, and the delegates thereof, shall be for the purpose of receiving the annual reports of the Secretaries and Treasurer of the Board of Directors, the annual report of the Magazine Committee, for consultation, and for the adoption of such measures as shall further the cause of missions in our own and other lands, and in general aid the Society in the accomplishment of its purpose. The General Missionary Society shall have charge of the "Women's Missionary Magazine," which will publish information concerning all missionary work undertaken by the society, and publish reports of money raised and disbursed.

3. The General Convention of said Presbyterial societies shall be held annually on the of May, at any place within the United States of North America, and the place

*The Charter uses the title General Assembly, but "General Convention" is substituted in these By-Laws, to avoid any confusion with the General Assembly of the Church

of meeting shall be decided at the meeting of the previous year. The officers of the Convention, the delegates from the Presbyterial Societies, the members of the Board of Directors, and all Life Members shall be entitled to take part in the transaction of the business brought before the meeting. The officers of such annual meeting shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents and a Secretary. The Treasurer of the Board of Directors shall be *ex-officio* the Treasurer of such annual meeting. The other officers above named shall be elected at the close of each annual meeting, and it shall be their duty, together with three additional persons living near each other and appointed by the President, to make arrangements for the succeeding meeting. Five Directors may be appointed for election at the annual meeting of the corporation to fill the places of the five who retire. An Auditing Committee shall be appointed composed of two or more persons. The necessary expenses of the President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be paid from the treasury of the General Missionary Society.

4. Any person may become a Life Member of said General Convention by paying twenty-five dollars ($25.00) or more at one time. Money paid for Life Membership cannot be designated for any other purpose whatever.

5. All Presbyterial Societies are recognized as auxiliaries; but Congregational Societies contributing not less than ten dollars ($10.00) annually may become such auxiliaries to the General Missionary Society, provided there is no Presbyterial Society within whose limits they reside. Such Auxiliary Societies shall be required to make an annual report to the Board of Directors on or before April 15th.

ARTICLE IV.

AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS.

These By-Laws of the corporation may be altered, amended or repealed at any annual meeting of the corporation by a two-thirds vote of the members present—notice of the proposed amendment having been given in writing at a previous meeting.

Women's General Missionary Society.

MRS. JEAN S. SANDS, President, Bedford Ave., Pittsburg, Pa.
MRS. ARNEY S. BIDDLE, 1st Vice-President, Jersey City, N. J.
MISS MELINDA PRESSLY, 2nd Vice-President, Allegheny, Pa.
MRS. MARY W. PORTER, Recording Secretary, Boston, Allegheny Co., Pa.
MISS E. J. SLOAN, Treasurer, 5170 Liberty Ave., Pittsburg, Pa.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

MRS. J. T. SHANK, Erie, Pa.
MRS. REV. WILSON, Erie, Pa.
MISS JENNIE PRESSLY, Erie, Pa.

Thirteenth Annual Convention to meet in Erie, Pa., the 2nd Tuesday of May, 1896, at 7:45 P. M.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

MRS. ANNIE R. HERRON, President, 188 Sandusky St., Allegheny, Pa.
MRS. W. H. MCMILLAN, Allegheny, Pa . . . . . } Vice-Presidents.
MISS E. D. BROWN, Craft Ave., Pittsburg, Pa. . . . . }
MRS. MARY W. PORTER, Recording Secretary, Boston, Allegheny Co., Pa.
MISS E. J. SLOAN, Treasurer, 5170 Liberty Ave., Pittsburg, Pa.
MRS. W. J. REID, Corresponding Secretary Foreign Missions, 244 Oakland Ave., Pittsburg, Pa.
MRS. H. C. CAMPBELL, Corresponding Secretary Home Missions, 29 North Ave., Allegheny, Pa.
DR. C. JANE VINCENT, Corres. Secretary Freedmen's Mission, 159 North Ave., Allegheny, Pa.
MRS. M. M. PATTERSON, Secretary Church Extension aud Parsonage Fund, Wilkinsburg, Pa.
MRS. N. WYLIE STEVENSON, Secretary Junior Missionary Work, 161 Locust St., Allegheny, Pa.
MRS. MARY CLOKEY PORTER, Secretary Thank-Offering, 216 Allegheny Ave., Allegheny, Pa.
MRS. E. J. MCPHERSON, Literature Secretary, 409 Morewood Ave., E. E., Pittsburg, Pa.
MISS E. D. BROWN, R. R. Secretary, Craft Ave., Pittsburg, Pa.
MRS. J. A. GRIER, Bellevue, Pa.
MRS. M. J. STEVENSON, Stewarts Station, P. R. R., Allegheny Co., Pa.
MRS. GEO. W. MACDONALD, 43 Nixon St., Allegheny, Pa.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

MRS. H. C. CAMPBELL,
MRS. M. J. STEVENSON.
MISS E. J. SLOAN.

MAGAZINE EDITORIAL COMMITTEE.

MRS. W. C. HUTCHISON, Xenia, Ohio.
MRS. BELLE MCDOWELL PATTERSON, Xenia, Ohio.
MISS SALLIE MCDOWELL, Xenia, Ohio.
MRS. S. M. KELSO, Xenia, Ohio.
MRS. H. C. DEAN, Jamestown, Ohio.

STATISTICS

—OF—

MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

—FOR—

Year Ending March 31st,

1895.

STATISTICS OF MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

NAME OF SOCIETY.	NAME OF PRESIDENT.	POST OFFICE AND STATE.	CONTRIBUTIONS.															
			Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Freedmen's Missions.	Church Extension Parsonage.	Ministerial Relief.	District Work.	Congregat'l Work.	Contingent Fund.	Women's Association Work. Orphans' Home.	Memor'l Hospital	Aged People's Home.	Total.	No. of Boxes.	Estimated Value of Boxes.	No. of Members.	Women's Miss. Mag.
Albany.																		
Albany	Miss Mary Bruce	73 Clinton Ave., Albany...N. Y.															*25	
Johnstown Women's M. S	Mrs. J. M. Dongall	Johnstown "								18				18	1	60	20	
Albany Presb.										18				18	1	60	45	
Allegheny.																		
1st Allegheny Women's For. Miss.	Mrs. W. J. Robinson	65 Union Ave...Allegheny, Pa.	255							15				270			60	60
Women's Home Missionary	Mrs. R. S. Smith	" "		90	150	25	18		4	8				290	2	25	75	
Young Ladies' Aid	Mrs. Mary P. Samson	65 Union Ave... " "		45	15				7	7	32	10		116	1	40	35	
Junior Christian Union			10											10				
1st Church Mission Women's Miss.	Miss Anna M. Allen	256 Robinson St. " "		5				6	282	1				294			30	5
Juniors—Good Will	Miss Anna M. Allen	256 Robinson St. " "	10	10				16	590	1				627			40	5
Busy Bee	Miss Mary Blythe	46 Boyle St. " "		5				2	10	2				19	1	6	30	
2d Allegheny, Women's Miss	Mrs. W. H. McMillan	2d U. P. Church, Stockton Ave. " "	380	25	55			50		12				522	1	25	120	21
Juniors—Young People's Miss.	Mr. Albert J. Boon	259 North Ave... " "	436	6						9				451			116	
Willing Workers	Miss Sadie Lyle	37 Liberty St. " "	42	10	10	5	10			5		10		92			102	3
Junior S. C. E	Miss S. W. McCormick	42 Sherman Ave. " "			10							2		12	3	45	54	
3d Allegheny, Women's Miss. & Aid	Mrs. J. B. Dorrington	Bell Ave. " "	175	270				6	10	6		11		478	1	30	60	28
Young Ladies' Miss. Circle	Mrs. R. D. Shannon	207 Lacock St... " "	32	10				5		2				49			15	
4th Allegheny, Miss. and Benev	Mrs. Joseph Kyle	22 Bidwell St... " "	400	10						9				419	1	20	66	34
Juniors—Young Ladies' Aid	Miss Bell A. Love	46 Palo Alto, St.. " "	5	65	55					4				129			40	16
King's Daughters	No report																*80	
Girl's Ind. School	Mrs. Jean Williams	51 Palo Alto St...Allegheny, Pa.						2						2	1	2	22	
Fulton Junior Miss	Miss Emma M. Hood	66 Fremont St... " "		6	5					2		5		18	1	25	63	
5th Allegheny, Women's Miss	Mrs. L. K. White	75 Monterey St.. " "	30	25	55			1	25	1				140			40	12
Juniors—King's Daughters	Miss Jennie Deitrick	24 Carroll St. " "	10		20			10		1				41	12	3	24	3
Y. L. Mission Circle	Miss Anna Webb	22 Wilson Ave... " "		30					78	3				111	2	20	30	
6th Allegheny, Women's Miss	Mrs. D. L. Patterson	4 Franklin St... " "	25	65	10	25		21				15		161			50	33
Juniors—Young Ladies' Miss	Miss Kate Marion	177 Market St... " "	10	30				5		2				47	1	45	15	
McGill Junior Miss	Miss Mary McKinney	165 Sheffield St. " "	5	20	5									30			30	
†King's Daughters	Miss Mary S. Patterson	4 Franklin St... " "													2	4	9	
7th Allegheny, Women's Miss	Mrs. G. W. MacDonald	43 Nixon St. " "	17	17	7	7	7	3	100	6				164			60	15
Junior Missionary	Miss Lizzie Morrow, Sec	121 Market St... " "		5					52	2				59			28	
8th Allegheny, Wom. Miss. & Ben.	Mrs. M. Gilleland	Leland Ave. " "	70	20				25	98	5				218	4	60	47	19
9th Allegheny, Women's Miss	Mrs. J. R. J. Milligan	40 Westminster St., " "		10		160				3		2		175			25	3
†Aspinwall Women's Miss	Mrs. J. L. Vance	Aspinwall "													1	30	7	6
Avalon Women's Miss. Circle	Mrs. T. A. Shaw	Avalon "	30	70	30	30				3				163	2	25	34	14
Juniors—Home and For. Miss.	Miss Mamie Hunter	Avalon "	22	22	13	13				1				71			29	
Junior Miss	Mrs. Geo. M. Paden	Union Nat. Bk., Pittsburg, Pa.	8	11	8					2				29			40	

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Allegheny, Continued.																		
Juniors—Willing Workers	Edward Daugherty	Avalon, Pa.	2	5						1				8			10	
¿Junior Chr. Union. ⋮				5	5									10				
Bellevue Women's Miss.	Mrs. Jas. A. Grier	Bellevue, "	53	41	58	33				2				187	2	50	31	14
Juniors—Young Ladies' Miss.	Miss Jennie Wilson	Bellevue, "	10	5						1				16			10	
Willing Workers	Miss Blanche Arthur	Bellevue, "	8	4	7					1				20			15	1
King's Sons	William A. Wilson	Bellevue, "		7	8					1				16			10	
Deer Creek Women's Miss.	Mrs. W. J. McClintock	Lewis, Allegheny County, "		10					67	3	8	8		96	1	35	28	8
East Union Women's Miss.	Mrs. E. Miller	Box 203, Sharpsburg, "	5	5						1				11	1	10	10	
Emsworth Women's Miss.	Mrs. W. S. Harper	Emsworth, "	10	10	5	10				3	3		15	56	1	31	30	8
Etna Women's Home Miss.	Mrs. A. H. Calvert	Etna, "		30	30					3	10	10	10	93	3	66	26	12
Juniors—Young People's Miss.	Mrs. Nellie Meyer	Sharpsburg, "	5	5						1				11	1	20	13	
Junior Miss.	Mrs. Clara Stewart	Box 154, Sharpsburg, "			3						4	4		11			53	
¿Y. P. C. U.											4	3		7				
Glade Run Women's Miss.	Mrs. Wm. Park	Glade Mills, Pa.	37	5						1			5	49			30	10
Hampton Women's Miss.	Mrs. A. Rogers	Talley Cavey, "	6	10						1				17			12	
Mt. Nebo Women's Miss	Mrs. J. Richie	Emsworth, "	5	5					3					13			13	
Oak Grove Women's Miss	Mrs. J. D. Harbison	Saxonburg, "		5						1				6			7	
†Park Chapel Wom. Miss. and Aid	Miss Helen J. Johnston	Perrysville Ave., Allegheny, "															10	
Sewickley Women's Miss. and Aid	Mrs. W. A. McElwain	Sewickley, "	35	15	15	15	12		9	2	18	18	28	167	3	50	25	16
Juniors—Dorcas	Miss Bonnie McElwain	Sewickley, "		5				3		1				9	1	32	7	
Fellowship	Miss Winifred Scott	Sewickley, "	10		5					2			10	27			15	
Willing Workers	Miss Annie Miller, Leader	Sewickley, "								1				1			12	
Springdale Women's Miss.	Mrs. T. D. Mellon	Springdale, "	5	10	5					1		5		26	1	50	12	7
Juniors—Willing Workers	Miss Emma Thompson	Springdale, "	3							1				4			10	
Tarentum Women's Miss.	Mrs. T. C. Anderson	Tarentum, "	24	10	10					2				46	2	40	23	
West Union Women's Miss.	Mrs. R. H. Park	Valencia, "	15	10	30		5	2		2	5	5	5	79			20	8
Orphans' Home Junior Miss.	Miss Jennie Musgrove	Matilda and Dearborn, Pgh, "	4		20					2				26			40	
Fleming	Mrs. W. S. Harper	Emsworth, "															25	
ALLEGHENY PRESB.	Miss Jennie B. Wallace	Sewickley, "	2,209	1,084	649	323	47	160	1,335	147	84	108	73	6,219	55	809	1944	358
Annual Meeting, April 12, 1894, Fifth Church, Allegheny.	Mrs. J. A. Grier, Pres. Bellevue, Pa.	Miss Carrie Martin, Cor. Sec., Bellevue, Pa.																
Semi-Annual Meeting, October 11, 1894. Springdale.	Mrs. G. M. Paden, Treas. Union Nat. Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa.	Mrs. N. W. Stevenson, Jr. Sec., 161 Locust St., All'y, Pa.																
		Miss E. Schwarberg, Lit. Sec., Perrysville Ave., All'y, Pa.																
Argyle, N. Y.																		
Argyle	Mrs. Jean M. Turnbull	Argyle, N. Y.	75	30	16	10			7					138			70	10
Young People's Society	Miss Agnes McGeoch	Argyle, "		18		16								34	1	20	92	
Helping Hands	Thomas Mack	Argyle, "													1	5	20	
South Cambridge.	Miss Lizzie Marshall	Cambridge, "	25											25	8		18	10
Ciola	Mrs. Julia A. Gordon	Coila, "	28		13						26	2		69	4		10	5
East Greenwich	Mrs. James McMorris	Battenville, "	20											20			25	7
Greenwich	Mrs. Laura Morris	Greenwich, "	12							2				14			30	1
North Argyle	Mrs. G. W. Bovard	North Argyle, "	50	37	12									99			65	13

Argyle, Continued.																				
Salem	Miss Sarah J. Hanna	Salem N. Y.	50												50	4	86	47	9
Young Helpers Miss. Band, Salem	Miss Fannie Hale	Salem "														19		152	2
South Argyle	Mrs. W. J. McMichael	Cossayuna "	49	56											105	2	20	56	4
Shushan	Mrs. A. Foster	Shushan "	40		14			8		5		15			82	2	29	52	17
Mission Band	Lillian Green	Shushan "	10	3						1					14	2	6	20	
West Hebron	Mrs. G. M. Wiley	West Hebron "	59	19						2					80	3	40	58	14
Hebron	Mrs. Mary Getty	West Hebron "	50												50	1	25	40	3
Putnam	Mrs. Anna Lillie	Putnam "								1					1			20	5
Greenwich Junior																			
ARGYLE PRESB	Mrs. M. E. Congdon....Sec.	New York N. Y.	468	163	55	26		8	7	10	26	17			780	47	231	776	100
Annual Meeting, 1st Wednesday of June, Argyle, N. Y.	Miss Lizzie Marshall, Pres. Cambridge, N. Y. Miss Jennie McFarland, Treas., Salem, N. Y.																		
Arkansas Valley.																			
Arkansas City	Mrs. Verginia Hamilton	Arkansas City Kan.	5	15				3	23						46			25	
Anthony	Mrs. Belle Bayne	Anthony "							16						16	1		12	
Chikaskia	Mrs. J. C. Hasty	Mayfield "			15					1					16	1	15	10	
Colony	Mrs. Zilla Murch	Pouner Col.	2	4											6			6	
Newton	Mrs. J. L. Acheson, V. P.	Newton Kan.								29					29			16	
Sunny Dale	Mrs. C. Webster	Sunny Dale "						13	22	5	19				101	1	15	20	
1st Sterling	Mrs. W. L. Garges	Sterling "	42						64						74				
2d Sterling	Mrs. Lena McLaughlin	Sterling "	10							10					60			25	
Wichita	Mrs. A. S. Thompson	355 Indiana Ave., Wichita, "	50												37			30	
Stafford	Mrs. I. C. Maughlin	Stafford "	11	8					15	1									
Ninnescah	Mrs. Sarah Mitchell	Peotone "																	
Walton	Mrs. J. H. Taggart	Walton "	52	5				4	16	6			7		90	1	15	33	
1st Sterling Junior	Mrs. W. L. Garges	Sterling "																20	
2d Sterling Judior	Mrs. E. B. Strong	Sterling "																31	
Walton Junior	Miss Etta Llewellyn	Walton																29	
ARKANSAS VALLEY PRESB	Mrs. I. M. Brownlee		172	32	15			20	156	52	19		7		473	4	45	257	
	Mrs. F. C. Maughlin, Pres. Mrs. J. H. Taggart...Treas.	Mrs. I. M. Brownlee.....Jr. Sec.																	
Beaver Valley.																			
Beaver	Mrs. E. M. Wilkenson	Beaver, Beaver Co. Pa.	72	9	8	10	2		1	3					105	2	38	31	11
Beaver Y. P. S.	Elizabeth Scroggs	Beaver, Beaver Co. "	20	3					1	1					25	1	5	15	
Beaver Falls	Mrs. A. H. Kidd	Beaver Falls, Beaver Co. "	35	5	5					2					47	2	8	28	27
Beaver Falls Y. W. S.	Mrs. I. N. Mason	Beaver Falls, Beaver Co. "	15		15				18	1					49	1		19	28
Bethel	Mrs. M. M. Dice	Mt. Air, Lawrence Co. "	50	4	4	2	2			2					64	1	24	20	19
Camp Run	Mrs. Helen Boots	Zelienople, Butler Co. "	15	5	4	3									27				
Center	Mrs. Mary E. Houston	New Castle, Lawrence Co. "	11						50			10	10		81	2	8	20	3
Darlington	Mrs. Rev. Sturgeon	Darlington, Beaver Co. "	25						101	2					128	1	18	15	11
Rock Springs	Mrs. M. S. McGeorge	New Galilee "	48	10	10		5			7	5		5		90			32	
Mt. Jackson	Miss Lucetta Duff	Mt. Jackson, Lawrence Co. "	58	10	5					3					71	2	17	29	6
Mahoning	Mrs. J. W. Birnley	Lowellville Ohio.	34							1					35	1		18	
Mountville	Mrs. M. A. Brenneman	Portersville, Butler Co. Pa.	25												25				
New Brighton	Mrs. T. W. McKinney	New Brighton "	54	6	6	6		67	24	2					165	3	37	23	7
Neshanock	Mrs. D. S. McCaslin	New Castle "	17	10	5					1					33	1	21	26	4
Four Mile	Mrs. J. S. T. Milligan	Esther, Beaver Co. "	27							2					29				1
Wurtemburg	Mrs. A. B. Telford	Wurtemburg, Lawrence Co. "						3	32	1					36			14	7
Oakland	Mrs. A. J. Mellon	New Brighton, Beaver Co. "	15	4											19			15	9
Portersville		Butler County "		36											36	1	30	31	6
Ellwood City	Mrs. Hattie Liebendorfer	Wurtemburg, Lawrence Co. "	10	3					58						71	1	30	10	2
1st Newcastle	Mrs. T. W. Winter	New Castle, Lawrence Co. "	50	8	4	2	4			3					71	3	75	34	9

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Beaver Valley, Continued.																		
1st New Castle	Miss Rebekah C. Brown	New Castle, Lawrence Co... "	5	18	6	6	6						7	48	1	15	20	2
2d Newcastle	Mrs. R. J. Blevins	New Castle, Lawrence Co... "	33	8	6	6		2	418	2				475	1	15	27	16
Oak Grove	Mrs. Mary White	McCaslin, Lawrence Co... "	28	18	18									64			30	5
BEAVER VALLEY PRESB	Mrs. R. J. Blevins		642	157	96	85	19	72	703	33	5	10	22	1,794	23	341	430	173
Fall Meeting at Oakland. Spring Meeting, 2d Church, Newcastle.	Mrs. M. M. Dice ...Pres. Mrs. W. N. Aiken...Treas.	Miss Mary E. McCabe...Jr. Sec.																
Big Spring.																		
Big Spring	Miss Emma Gracey	Newville...Pa.	34	34	20									88	2	31	48	12
Big Spring Junior	Miss Ellen Dunlap	Newville... "	4	13			5							22			22	
Concord	Miss Mame E. Robertson	Concord... "											10	10			15	2
Cove	Miss Jennie E. Carson	McConnellsburg... "		25	20							20		65	2	27	18	5
Guinston	Mrs. May Pinkerton	Muddy Creek Forks... "	52	9										61			28	10
Hopewell	Mrs. Sarah A. Wallace	Hopewell Centre... "	10	5					15					30				6
Lower Chanceford	Miss Ella E. Morrow	Goram... "				59							13	72			24	5
Mexico	Mrs. Kate McBurney	Mexico... "	24	20										44			20	1
Stone Valley	Mrs. H. N. Freeman	McAlevy's Fort... "	20	15					43					78			28	8
Stone Valley Junior	Mrs. R. C. Wilson	McAlevy's Fort... "	3											3			31	
Tuscarora	Mrs. Margaret Adair	McCoysville... "	14											14			15	4
BIG SPRING PRESB	Miss Ella E. Morrow, Sec...	Gorman... "	161	121	40	59	5		58			20	23	487	4	58	249	53
Annual Meeting in the Autumn, Big Spring.	Miss Fannie Cummins, Pres. Miss Mary C. Patterson, Treas.																	
Boston.																		
1st Providence	Mrs. J. H. McCord	Providence...R. I.															*30	
Christian Workers	Jas. McAllister	Whitsenville... "															*36	
BOSTON PRESB																	66	
Semi-Annual Meeting, Boston.																		
Brookville.																		
Atwood	Mrs. M. B. Patterson	Atwood, Armstrong Co...Pa.	25	5	6									36			13	4
Beaver Run	Mrs. Wm. M. Breakey	Stanton, Jefferson Co... "	10						37	3				50	1	15	14	5
Beracha	Mrs. Amanda Kirk	Plumville... "	10	5	6					3				24			24	2
Brookville	Mrs. J. T. Adams	Brookville... "	16	7	17									40			15	1
Cherry Run	No report	New Athens... "															*15	
Dayton	Mrs. Jennie Butler	Dayton... "	12	5	5									28			21	3

Brookville, Continued.																				
Jefferson	No report	Jefferson	Pa.															*20	
Mahoning	Mrs. Margaret M. Work	Hamill	"	10	13	3					2				28			12	6
Mt. Zion	E. H. McClymonds	Templeton	"	5	5										10			12	3
Plum Creek	Mrs. Ida Mahan	Willet, Indiana Co.	"	6	8										14			*21	3
Richmond	Mrs. Jane Work	Rochester Mills	"	8	13						3				24			14	11
Redclyffe	Mrs. A. S. Stewart	Redclyffe	"	10											10		38	21	10
Smyrna	Mrs. Mary Nichol	Elkin	"	10	5					10	1				26		20	*23	3
BROOKVILLE PRESB.	Mary E. Work	Marion Center	"	128	66	37				47	12				290	3	73	214	43
Annual Meeting—At time and place of June meeting of Presbytery, Brookville.	Mrs. Tillie Fitch, Pres., Stanton, Jeff. Co., Pa. Mrs. M. F. Given, Treas., Rochester Mills, Pa.																			
Butler.																				
White Oak Springs	Mrs. Esther Dyke	Buttercup	Pa.	28	13	1					3				45			20	3
Worthington	Mrs. Lizzie Winter	Worthington.	"							7					7			10	
Harlansburg	Miss Mary Brown	Harlandsburg	"	10	3										13	1	3	9	2
Centreville	Mrs. H. M. Gill	Slippery Rock	"	30	19	20	3	3	60		3				138	2	31	30	
Fairview	Mrs. S. E. Sherrard	Baldwin	"	10	10		10							10	40			19	13
Freeport	Mrs. Hannah McClelland	Freeport	"	20	1				2	6					38	5	48	12	4
Harmony	Mrs. S. L. Braham	Harrisville	"	76		12					8	10		15	121			80	14
Prospect	Mrs. Oliver Stoughton	Prospect	"	12	13						1				26			12	4
Butler	Mrs. J. L. Purvis	Butler	"	25	10	10									45	4	90	35	22
Buffalo	Mrs. Dugan	Slate Lick	"			10				60	1				71			13	
Grove City	Mrs. Ada Martin	Grove City	"	15	6	10					3			5	39	2	24	28	19
West Sunbury	Mrs. J. H. Braden	West Sunbury	"	15	15	10		5		2	2		5		54	1	60	39	16
Clintonville	Lillie Adams	Murrinsville	"	17	6						2				25			14	
Kittanning	Mrs. L. S. Peart	Kittanning	"	6	6										12			22	3
Mt. Chestnut	Mrs. Martha Cranmer	Mt. Chestnut	"	5	10										15			11	2
Grove City Young Ladies'	Miss Ella Brandon	Just organized	"															18	
Freeport Young Ladies'																		*15	
Grove City Miss. Band																		*53	
West Sunbury Miss. Band																		*25	
BUTLER PRESB.	Mrs. Samuel Dodds	Grove City	Pa.	269	121	73	13	8	62	75	23	10	5	30	689	15	256	465	102
Semi-Annual Meeting, 1st Tuesday of May, Centreville.	Mrs. Ada Martin, Pres. Mrs. S. M. McKee, Treas.	Miss Laura Shoop, Jr. Sec., Freeport, Pa. Mrs. L. R. Smith, Lit. Sec.																		
Caledonia.																				
Beulah	Mrs. Hamilton Vallance	Mumford, Munroe Co.	N. Y.	11	11					32	1				55			13	4
2d Buffalo	Mrs. Mary P. Thompson	394 S. Division, Buffalo	"		16					160	1				177			22	3
Caledonia	Mrs. Thomas Brodie	Caledonia, Livingston Co.	"						5						5	3	140	42	15
Caledonia Pearl Gatherers	Miss Martha Lennet	Caledonia, Livingston Co.	"	50											50			50	
Covington	Mrs. Margaret Gilfillan	Peoria, Wyoming Co.	"							30					30	1	10	20	5
Covington Cheerful Workers	Mrs. John Shay	Peoria, Wyoming Co.	"													1	5	10	
Cuylesville	Mrs. S. Horton	Cuylesville, Livingston Co	"	5						14					19			12	4
Franklinville	Mrs. M. G. Cheney	Franklinville, Catt Co.	"	13	13					33	7				66			39	6
Lynden	Mrs. Grace Carter	Franklniville, Catt Co.	"							15	4				19	1	25	38	4
Mumford Miss. and Aid	Mrs. D. B. McNaughton	Mumford, Monroe Co.	"	17		15			3	168					203	1	22	22	8
Columbian Miss.	No report																	*12	
Mumford Cheerful Workers	Miss Margaret Stewart	Mumford, Monroe Co.	N. Y.															29	
Sterling Valley	No report																	*28	

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Caledonia, Continued.																		
York	Miss Anna K. McDonald	York, Livingston Co.....N. Y.	25	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	58	5	.....	.....	.....	108	1	40	35	16
Caledonia Presb	Miss Jennie Cameron	.....	121	65	15	.....	.....	8	505	18	.....	.....	.....	732	8	242	372	65
Cedar Rapids, Iowa.	Mrs. A. F. McPherson, Pres. Miss Elizabeth Johnston, Treas.	Miss Belle M. Hawley, Cor. Sec. Miss Kate Hebbasd .....Jr. Sec. Miss Kate Hebbasd ....Lit. Sec.																
Amity	Mrs. J. M. Hamilton	Runbeck.....Ia.	50	15	10	10	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	88	1	25	25	11
1st Cedar Rapids	Mrs. J. P. McDaniel	892 1st Av. West, Cedar Rap... "	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	79	5	.....	1	.....	112	3	64	14	11
2d Cedar Rapids	Miss Anna Cooper	36 A Ave., Cedar Rapids..... "	20	10	3	.....	3	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	37	.....	.....	12	2
Garner	Mrs. Eva C. Lathrope	Garner ..... "	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	21	.....	.....	.....	65	2	100	20	16
Goldfield	Mrs. W. C. Keith	Goldfield..... "	50	2	5	.....	.....	5	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	76	1	6	21	12
Pratt Creek	Mrs. W. A. Campbell	Mt. Auburn..... "	25	23	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	72	.....	.....	24	7
Traer	Mrs. J. M. Henderson	Traer..... "	30	10	55	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	97	.....	.....	16	18
Traer Willing Workers	Roger Dennis	Traer..... "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*30	.....
1st Cedar Rapids M. B	Miss Carrie McDaniel	392 1st Av. West, Cedar Rap .. "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*16	.....
1st Cedar Rapids Willing Workers.	Mrs. J. A. Monteith	3d Ave. West, Cedar Rap. ... "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	* 9	.....
Cedar Rapids Presb	Margaret Sidney Cooper....	36 A Ave., Cedar Rapids..... "	240	60	91	10	3	11	80	51	.....	1	.....	547	7	195	217	77
Annual Meeting, Garner, Iowa.	Mrs. J. P. McDaniel, Pres., Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Mrs. J. M. Henderson, Treas., Traer, Iowa.	Mrs. J. G. Bull, Jr. Sec., Toledo, Ia.																
Chartiers.																		
Canonsburg	Miss Jennie H. Pollock	Canonsburg.....Pa.	80	22	.....	.....	.....	1	37	5	6	.....	.....	101	2	48	48	20
Canonsburg Young Ladies'	Miss Bessie McConnell	Canonsburg..... "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chartiers	Mrs. J. A. Scroggs	Canonsburg..... "	167	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	2	.....	.....	.....	220	2	28	64	15
Center	Miss Mary Bamford	Midway..... "	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	27	3	11	20	8
Cross Roads	Mrs. Rachel B. Timmons	McConnells Mills..... "	64	53	33	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	5	5	5	168	2	50	50	18
Claysville	Mrs. Margaret L. Wright	Claysville ..... "	25	1	2	2	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	31	2	48	15	6
Houstonville	Mrs. E. E. Douglass	Honstonville ..... "	5	5	.....	.....	.....	2	265	1	.....	.....	.....	278	.....	.....	27	1
Mt. Hope	Mrs. J. T. Brownlee	West Middletown ..... "	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	15	5
Children's Band	No report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Hope Young Ladies'	Miss Sadie Grimes	Atchison.....Pa.	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14	.....	.....	16	2
Mount Pleasant	Mrs. A. M. McConnell	Hickory..... "	50	25	70	.....	10	.....	8	16	.....	.....	10	189	2	64	51	18
Mt. Prospect	Mrs. G. R. Murray	Thomas ..... "	25	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	69	1	.....	.....	.....	145	.....	.....	29	11
North Buffalo	Mrs. W. G. Maxwell	Buffalo..... "	35	15	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	62	.....	.....	20	15
Peter's Creek	Mrs. J. H. McMurray	McMurray ..... "	59	47	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	108	2	18	47	3
Pigeon Creek	Mrs. Clara A. Whitely	Eighty-Four..... "	294	.....	.....	.....	.....	31	.....	2	1	.....	.....	328	1	3	45	4
Pigeon Creek M. B	Miss Lizzie Weir	Eighty-Four..... "	5	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	21	.....
Taylorstown	Mrs. M. C. Proudfit	Taylorstown..... "	10	5	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	21	2	35	15	2
Taylorstown Young Peoples'	Miss Gertrude Wilson	Taylorstown..... "	.....	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21	.....	.....	19	4
Venice	Mrs. J. L. Scott	Venice..... "	.....	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	19	.....	.....	7	13	56	1	82	24	23
Venice Buds of Promise	Miss Ada McElhany	Venice..... "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	12	.....	.....	22	.....

Chartiers, Continued.

1st Church, Washington	Mrs. J. R. Temple	400 Locust Av., Washington, "	60	15	15	5	10	105	26	4	5	6		251			50	27
1st Church Jr. Miss. Band	Miss L. H. Murdoch	Washington "			5					3	4			12	3		22	
2d Church, Washington	Mrs. Helen Johnston	Wade Ave., Washington "	20	20	35	10		20						105	2	25	34	15
Chartiers Young Ladies'																	*31	
2d Washington Mis. Culture Circle	Miss Mary C. Johnston	160 Wade Av., Washington Pa.															*20	
Claysville King's Daughters																	*11	
West Middletown	Miss Jennie A. Morgan	West Middletown Pa.	50	27		32								109	1	25	33	6
West Middletown Young Ladies'	Miss Grace Brownlee	West Middletown "				22								22			18	1
West Middletown Willing Workers	Mrs. R. E. Lackey	West Middletown "						5						5			18	
3d Church, Washington	Miss Jennie H. Clark	Washington "																
North Buffalo Jr. Society																		
Neteos Creek	Mrs. J. H. McMurray	Washington Co. Pa.															*14	
Washington Our Boys and Girls	Mrs. Alvin Donnan	Washington "															†31	
CHARTIERS PRESB	Miss M. Lizzie Weir		949	891	170	76	20	169	425	45	28	18	28	2,319	25	432	857	204
Semi-Annual Meeting, May, Houstonville, Pa.	Mrs. E. E. Douglass, Pres., Mrs. W. I. Blair, Treas.	Miss Mary E. Wilson, Jr. Sec. Mrs. A. E. Thompson, Lit. Sec.																
Chicago, Ill.																		
1st Chicago	Mrs. J. A. Patten	306 Warren Ave., Chicago Ill.	30	85		20		5				11		101	6	35	50	49
2d Chicago, Englewood	Mrs. J. A. Duff	6504 Honora St., Englewood, "					3		218			93		314	2	36	31	10
3d Chicago	No report																*15	
5th Chicago	Mrs. Askelof	Ravenswood Ill.							7					7			22	1
Camp Creek	Mrs. Ritchie	Zion, Carroll Co. "	11	12	10					10				43	1	5	22	11
Wheatland	Mrs. Ida Findley	Tamarack, Will Co. "		6	43				43					92	1	12	20	23
Wilton	Mrs. L. M. McKnight	Lois, Will Co "		6	5				8	4				23	2	1	16	8
Hanover	Mrs. D. W. Gray	Hanover, Jo Davis Co. "				45		25						70	4	50	28	7
Rock Run	No report																*17	
Aurora	Mrs. J. A. Cosby	335 S. Lake St., Aurora "							50					50			16	2
Young Ladies' M. S. of 1st U. P. Church, Chicago	Miss Fanny Crawford	471 S. Paulina St., Chicago. "	25		20									45			17	
CHICAGO PRESB	Mrs. W. J. Thompson		66	59	78	65	3	30	326	14		104		745	16	139	254	111
Annual Meeting, Aurora, Ill., Oct., 1895.	Mrs. J. A. Duff, Pres., Mrs. W. M. Lorrimer, Treas.	Miss Hattie Graham, Jr. Sec. Miss Jessie Burnett, Lit. Sec.																
Chillicothe.																		
Cherry Fork	Mrs. A. P. Thompson	Cherry Fork Ohio.	39	19		22		4		67				151	1	25	42	15
Peebles	Mrs. J. J. Blair	Peebles "	3	25		7				12				47			15	9
Unity	Miss Sallie McSurely	Wheat Ridge "	4	16	24	7			6	8				65	1	14	20	6
Tranquility	Mrs. Minta McClure	Leman "	7	19		7								33			24	4
Peebles Miss. Band	Mrs. J. J. Blair	Peebles "																
CHILLICOTHE PRESB	Miss Belle McCreight	Youngsville "	53	79	24	45		4	6	87				298	2	39	101	34
Cleveland, Ohio.	Miss Pearl McIntire, Pres., Cherry Fork, O. Mrs. Porter Finley, Treas., Youngsville, O.	Mayme Kirkpatrick, (Retiring Sec.)																
1st Cleveland	Mrs. T. H. McMichael	32 Brenton St., Cleveland, Ohio.	15	15	30	25		14	203	38				340	1	40	37	15
2d Cleveland	Mrs. B. Graham	15 Aetna St., Cleveland "							15					15			12	4
1st Youngstown	Mrs. Belle L. Dennison	640 Hayes Av., Youngst'n, "	5	5					130					140			40	6
East Palestine	Mrs. N. C. Chamberlain	East Palestine "	15	22	15				207					259	1	40	38	3
New Lisbon	Mrs. A. W. Lytle	New Lisbon "	10	10					34	6				110	4	82	26	10

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Cleveland, O., Cont'nued.																		
Struthers	Miss Nina Reed	Poland, Ohio.			11	2			10	3				26			15	
Stowe	No report																*12	
CLEVELAND PRESB.	Mrs. J. A. Reaugh	88 Sontill Av., Cleveland, Ohio.	45	52	56	27		14	649	47				890	6	162	165	38
Semi-Annual Meeting, Sept. 10, 1895, at Cleveland, O.	Mrs. T. H. McMichael, Pres., 32 Brenton Street, Cleveland. Mrs. J. T. Logue, Treas., 789 Hough Ave., Cleveland.																	
College Springs, Iowa.																		
Atlantic	Miss E. P. Phelps	Atlantic, Iowa	20	5	9	4				1				39			16	
Adams	No report																* 9	
Blanchard	Mrs. Ellen Adams	Blauchard, Iowa.						2	15					17			12	
Clarinda	Mrs. Dr. Millen	Clarinda, "	44	5						15				64	1	18	22	
Clarinda Y. L. M. S.	Miss Iva McCracken	Clarinda, "	4	4				19						27			18	
Clearfield	Mrs. Kate M. White	Clearfield, "	25	10	3				20					58	2	15	20	
Coin	Mrs. W. P. Love	Coin, "	40	20	10	15	9		2	10				106	2	20	18	
Creston	Mrs. L. N. Lafferty	Creston, "	31						50	1				82			18	
College Springs Y. L. M. S.	Miss Belle Anderson	College Springs, "	23	5				3					6	37			16	
College Springs Juniors	No report																*25	
Indian Creek	Mrs. W. Dodds	Emerson, Iowa.	14						40					54			12	
Lenox	Mrs. Maggie Stewart	Lenox, "	18						14		3		3	161	4	60	24	
Mt. Ayr	Mrs. Thos. Liggett	Mt. Ayr, "	25	16	4	4	4			7				60			20	
North Page	Mrs. L. J. Brownlee	North Page, "	10		5					1				16			10	
Page Centre	Mrs. Anna Thompson	Page Centre, "	15		5					1				21			11	
Red Oak	Mrs. C. L. Graham	Red Oak, "	30	5										35	3	16		
Shannon City	Mrs. Mina Tidball	Shannon City, "			5				139	4				148			20	
Tingley	Mrs. Thos. Elder	Tingley, "	9	3	4	6			15	2				39	1	5	26	
Tarkio	Mrs. Mary Webster	Tarkio, Mo.	75	23	5					20				123			25	
Tarkio Y. L. M. S.	Miss Hattie L. Erskine	Tarkio, "	5	5					170					180			31	
York	Mrs. J. T. Torrence	York, "	5	5	5									15			7	
College Springs	No report																*50	
Adams Junior	No report																* 7	
Eugene	No report																*18	
COLLEGE SPRINGS PRESB.	Mrs. Clara B. Delmege, Sec	Creston, Iowa.	388	106	55	29	13	24	593	62	3		9	1,282	13	134	430	
Semi-Annual Meeting, Oct., 1895, Atlantic, Iowa.	Mrs. J. D. McLean, Pres., Red Oak, Ia. Mrs. W. P. Love, Treas., Coin, Ia.	Mrs. J. H. Brown, Sec., Lenox, Iowa. Belle Anderson, Jr. Sec., College Springs, Iowa.																
Colorado.																		
Greeley	Mrs. W. S. McClure	Greeley, Col.	50	5	6	5		5	27	8				106			25	
1st Denver	Mrs. M. J. Howard-Smith	Box 458, Denver, "	34	50										84			41	
Cheerful Workers	Mildred Carson	1369 S. 15th St., Denver, "															*23	
Loveland	Mrs. A. A. Ferguson	Loveland, "	36	15	4				60					115			26	

Colorado, Continued.																							
Colorado Springs	Mrs. Pressly Thompson	133 S. Webster, Col. Sp'gs...	Col.	30			31			6	3				70	2		24	
Pueblo	Mrs. J. R. Gordon	Pueblo	"	25					25	20					70			10	
Pueblo Miss. Band	Blanche Morton	156 Block W, Pueblo	"															*20	
Boulevard, Denver	Mrs. J. G. Kennedy	314 Fairview Av., Denver	"							190					190				
Inasmuch Circle, K. Daughters	Margaret Wallace	Greeley	"															*12	
COLORADO PRESB.	Mrs. S. P. Large, Sec	Denver	"	175	70	10	36		30	303	11				635	2		181	
Annual Meeting—Usually 2d Tuesday of April. Place decided upon by Presbytery.	Mrs. Pressly Thompson, Pres., 133 Weber St., Colorado Springs, Col. Mrs. T. Howard-Smith, Treas., Box 458, Denver, Col.	Mrs. H. M. Cunningham, Jr. S, Loveland, Col. Mrs. J. A. Ferguson, Cor. Sec., Loveland, Col.																	
Concordia.																			
Concordia	Mrs. T. Y. Kimmal	Concordia	Kan.	1	1	1				5					8			*16	
Fairview	Mrs. Mary McManus	Beloit	"	3						5					8			14	
Idana	Mrs. F. M. Torrens	Idana	"			8				32					40			22	
Jamestown	Mrs. S. C. Hornet	Jamestown	"		5				1						6			8	
CONCORDIA PRESB.	Mrs. J. S. Swogger, Sec			4	6	9			1	42					62			60	
Annual Meeting, Concordia.	Mrs. F. M. Torrens, Pres., Mrs. Mary McManus, Treas.																		
Conemaugh.																			
Altoona	Mrs. Jennie McKendrie	2013 Fifth Ave., Altoona	Pa.	1	20	1	1	1							24			14	
Altoona Junior	Miss Jennie Lytle	327 Lexington Av., Altoona,	"															*26	
Apollo	Mrs. R. A. Jamison	Apollo	"	28	10	14	14		4	13					83	4	25	*35	
Bethel	Mrs. Barto Mack	Clyde	"	30	18	10			2						60			37	
Blairsville	Miss M. Lide Orr	Blairsville	"	10	63	13			2	5	3				96			35	
Blairsville Young Ladies'	Miss Alice Rankin	Blairsville	"		2							8			10			21	
Conemaugh	Mrs. M. C. Gilkerson	Saltsburg	"	13	15				1	1					30			*13	
Crete	Mrs. Ella M. Anderson	Crete	"		25										25			10	
Elderton	Miss Ida Rankin	Elderton	"	7	26	3			1						37	1	17	17	
Homer	Mrs. Robt. Carson	Graceton	"		17										17			*12	
1st Indiana	Mrs. W. S. Owens	Indiana	"	21	21				2						44	1	20	35	
1st Indiana King's Daughters	Miss Ida Johnston	Indiana	"															18	
2d Indiana	Mrs. Maria Nesbit	Indiana	"																
Jeaksonville	Mrs. Nettie Davis	Kent	"	18	42				2	3					65	1	20	30	
Johnstown	Mrs. W. A. Cochran	Moxam	"		20	5			1						26			21	
Johnstown Golden Rule Circle	Miss Elizabeth Kratzer	202 D St., Morellville	"									1			1			14	
Mechanicsburg	Mrs. Sarah Mack	Brush Valley	"	4	9										13			10	
Saltsburg	Mrs. A. E. Daugherty	Saltsburg	"		11			10	2	22					45			17	
Shelocta	Mrs. S. A. Wiggins	Shelocta	"	25	8				2						35			*41	
Shelocta Junior	Miss Lulu Crawford			4											4			10	
West Union	Mrs. Nina Blakely	West Lebanon	Pa.	5											5			12	
	Miss C. M. W. Foster	Personal			25										25				
Johnstown Gordon Band	No report																	*12	
Indiana Buds of Promise	No report																	*37	
CONEMAUGH PRESB.	Miss M. Lide Orr, Sec	Blairsville	Pa.	166	332	46	15	11	19	44	3	8	1		645	7	82	477	75
Semi-Annual Meeting, Sept. 25, Shelocta, Pa.	Mrs. W. H. McMaster, Pres., Blairsville. Mrs. J. M. Stewart, Treas., Indiana, Pa.	Mrs Mary K. Stewart, Jr. Sec. Mrs. A. E. Daugherty, Lit. Sec. Saltsburg, Pa.																	

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Delaware.																		
Andes	Miss M. Ella Turnbull	Andes, Delaware Co. N. Y.				14				3				17	1	25	16	4
Bovina	Miss Jennie E. Miller	Bovina Centre, Del. Co. "								6				6	3	70	22	2
Delaney	Mrs. J. A. McCoumlee	Delancy, Del. Co. "	10	5	14									29	3	45	22	3
Garrattsville	Mrs. A. E. Clapperton	Garrattsville, Otsego Co. "	37											37			28	4
Kortright Centre	Mrs. N. E. Wade	Kortright Centre, Del. Co. "	14	14	25				130	1	7			191	5	47	23	2
North Kortright	*Mrs. A. M. Smeallie	N. Kortright, Del. Co. "															*20	
Stamford	Mrs. J. J. Andrews	Almeda, Del. Co. "	22	22						6				50	2	39	29	13
West Kortright	Miss Jennie Blakely	E. Meredith, Del. Co. "	10	8					295	1				314	1	40	18	6
Stamford Cheer. Work. Miss. Band	Miss Minnie McGould	Almeda, Del. Co. "	25											25	1	9	12	1
Young Ladies' Miss. Band	Miss Jessie M. Doig	E. Meredith, Del. Co. "							135	1				136			8	1
Delaware Presb	Miss Hattie B. Bruce, Sec.	Andes "	118	49	39	14			560	18	7			805	16	275	198	36
Annual Meeting at Kortright in June.	Mrs. J. J. Andrewr, Pres., Almeda, N. Y. Miss M. E. Turnbull, Treas. Andes, N. Y.	Miss Jennie Blakely, Jr. Sec., E. Meredith, N. Y.																
Des Moines, Iowa.																		
Albia	Miss Mary E. Shearer	Albia Iowa.	10	10				3	17	2				42	1	1	16	4
Chariton	Mrs. H. P. Jackson	Chariton "	24						43	4				71			20	8
1st Des Moines	Mrs. W. E. O'Bleness	830 W. 11th St., Des Moines "	6	5	5	11			3	4				34		30	18	7
2d Des Moines	Mrs. Gowdy	834 Eighth St., Des Moines "	15						70	3				88			20	
Dexter	Mrs. E. J. Allen	Dexter "	10						20	3				33			15	4
Guernsey	Mrs. R. A. Morton	Guernsey "	5						43	2				50			12	2
Indianola	Mrs. Mattie Henry	Indianola "	50	7	6	8	5	34	133	5				248			31	22
Knoxville	Mrs. A. J. P. Barnes	Knoxville "	8	7	3				30					48	1	35	14	3
Lacona	Miss Anna E. McCain	Lacona "	5	2	7									14			8	
Monroe	Mrs. Rebecca Martin	Monroe "	24	15	5					3			5	52			19	8
Oskaloosa	Mrs. Ida L. McKirahan	Oskaloosa "	20	5					23	5				53			24	21
Palo Alto	Mrs. Robt. M. Hill	Newton "	5	5	5			5	16					36			9	3
Service	No report																	
St. Charles	Mrs. N. J. Mark	St. Charles Iowa.	5							1				6				
Summerset	Mrs. S. R. Jamieson	Summerset "	44	6	9				30	1				90	2	10	11	3
Union	Mrs. J. S. Devault	Pitzer, Madison Co "	10						64	3				77			15	13
Unity	Mrs. R. G. Campbell	Cedar, Mahaska Co. "	15	2	10			18	13	4				62	4	10	17	10
Winterset	Mrs. W. W. Porter	Winterset "	10						52	2				64	2	15	15	
Adair Junior	Mrs. D. J. Cowden	Adair "			5				16					21			13	2
1st Des Moines	Miss Pearl Martin	1021 Fifth St., Des Moines, "															15	
Indianola	Mrs. Carrie Gale Pollock	Indianola "	25		5									30	1		32	
Monroe	Foster Gibson	Monroe "														3	33	
Oskaloosa	Miss Jennie Randolph	Oskaloosa "			5				7			2		14	2	6	17	
Chariton	Mrs. Ella Hopper	Chariton "			4									4			13	
Summerset	Miss Lucy Bramhall	Summerset "	31	10	10				19					70			12	
Des Moines Presb	Mrs. R. A. Evans, Sec.	Pitzer "	322	74	79	19	5	60	599	42		2	5	1,207	14	110	399	110
Annual Meeting—Tues. of last week of March, 1895, Chariton, Iowa.	Mrs. J. Gilmore, Pres., Oskaloosa, Ia. Mrs. Anna Dowell, Treas., Indianola, Ia.	Mrs. Hannah Burnside, Jr. Sec. Oskaloosa, Iowa. Mrs. J. H. Gibson, Lit. Sec., Monroe, Iowa.																

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Detroit, Mich.																				
Troy	Mrs. Hattie T. Orr	Birmingham	Mich.	10	13	10	5	10						5	53			30	6
Southfield	Mrs. J. H. Russell	Beddon	"	22	20	25	1	3	2		2	5	5	5	90	7	149	17	3
Detroit	Mrs. W. H. Vincent	Detroit	"							35					35				
Commerce	E. J. Calhoun	Ox Bon	"	5	5	5				36					51			15	1
Port Hurm.	Mrs. Dunlap	910 Huron Ave.	"							42					42			11	1
Stevensburg	Mrs. Henry McNabb	Dafter	"	3	4					20					27			11	
Martin	Mrs. W. T. Harden	Martin	"															*30	
DETROIT PRESB.	Mrs. Hattie T. Orr			40	42	40	6	13	2	133	2	5	5	10	298	7	149	84	11
Egypt.																			
Esbykeeyah	Mrs. John Giffen	American Miss. Cairo	Egypt.	47											47			60	
Koolalie	Miss Miriam Michael	American Miss., Cairo	"	31											31			34	
Miss. Society for Women and Girls	Regeena Weesa	American Miss., Cairo	"	146											146			90	
Haret es Sakeen	M. Gohera Makhiel	American Miss., Cairo	"	52											52			35	
EGYPT PRESB.	Miss Carrie Buchanan, Sec.			276											276			219	
Annual Meeting—During the Summer at Rambe.	Mrs. John Giffen, Pres.																		
Frankfort.																			
Hookstown				60	8	16	2								86	1	5		6
Clinton	Mrs. Sarah Matchett	Clinton, Allegheny Co.	Pa.	10	10					18	5				38			25	4
Oakland	Mrs. Monroe Wylie	New Cumberland	W. Va.	10	10	12			4	57	5				98			22	7
Service	Mrs. W. J. Golden	Service	Pa.	40		14				10					64			40	3
Frankfort	Mrs. Lina Boyd	Frankfort Springs	"	12	12	12				33	1	10			80			17	7
Mt. Pleasant	Mrs. Wilbert McCollough	McCleary, Beaver Co.	"	20	20										40			22	7
Burgettstown	No report																	*10	
Hanover	No report																	*30	
Cheerful Workers	Miss Lizzie Reed	Hookstown, Beaver Co.	Pa.															*20	
Golden Link	Miss Stella Crane	Burgettstown, Wash. Co.	"																
FRANKFORT PRESB.	Mallie H. Coventry, Sec.			152	60	54	2		4	113	11	10			406	1	5	206	34
Semi-Annual Meeting, Clinton, Pa., Sept. 3.	Mrs. S. M. Krohn, Pres., Penrith, Han'k Co. W. Va Miss A. McHenry, Treas.																		
Garnet, Kan.																			
Americus	Mrs. Annie Davidson	Americus	Kan.	8	14					16	6				44			30	3
Blue Mound	Mrs. J. M. Acheson	Blue Mound	"							154					154			25	2
Emporia	Mrs. K. W. McBride	925 Walnut St., Emporia	"	20					3	8	8				39			15	4
Edgerton	Miss Laura Sawhill	Edgerton	"		9				4						13			16	2
Greeley	Miss A. W. Calvert	Greeley	"	3	9	3				2	4				21	1	9	13	4
Lyndon	Miss M. R. Britlain	Lyndon	"	16	5				3		1				25			12	
Olathe	Miss M. A. Barnes	Olathe	"	22	13	10			4		2				51			21	7
Ottawa	Miss W. Lawrence	Ottawa	"	23	2					10	7				42	1	20	16	3
Richmond	Miss R. M. Gowdy	Richmond	"	16	5	1			3	24	2				51	1	20	20	12
Garnett	Miss Fannie Daughett	Garnett	"	25	15	5	8			158					211	1	6	41	
Welda	Miss Jennie Laughlin	Welda	"	15		28			3						46	1	28	24	4
Junior Christian Union	Mr. Jamie Edgeworth	Ottawa	"			2					2				4	2	3	16	
Willing Workers	Mr. James Bell	Kichmond	"	5	5	5					2				17			35	
Willing Workers	Miss A. Henderson, Supt.	Olathe	"	15											15			15	
Welda Willing Workers																		39	
Beulah																		18	

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Garnet, Kan., Continued,																		
Americus Mission Band																	23	....
Garnet Presb	Mrs. F. O. Ross, Sec.	Richmond, Kan.	168	77	54	8		20	372	34				733	7	86	379	41
	Mrs. K. W. McBride, Pres., Emporia.	Miss Grace Houston, Jr. Sec., Garnett, Kan.																
Illinois—Central.	Mrs. L. H. Ewing, Treas., Ottawa.	Mrs. Fanny Doughett Cor. Sec. Garnett, Kan.																
Piper City	Mrs. L. Fairley	Piper City, Ill.	100	42	58					5				205	1	25	14	6
Washburn	Mrs. Bell Wallace	Washburn "	43	15	2	5	5	16		3				89	3	80	18	5
Hoopeston	Mrs. Rev. Black	Hoopeston "	5	11		7			37					60			25	4
Harmony	Mrs. E. A. McStravick	Hanna City "	20	10	10	10				3	2			55			13	5
Paxton	Mrs. A. S. Vincent	Paxton "	17		7	5				2	6		17	54	1	4	20	5
Bethel	Mrs. S. S. Patton	Eden "		10			3		20	1	2			36			11	5
Oak Grove	Mrs. Margaret Kirkpatrick	Carlock "		6		7								13			13	
Piper City Junior Miss. Society	Mrs. Sarah Ure Johnson	Piper City "	18						10	1				29	2	4	25	
Smithville Juniors	Miss Jennie Harper	Smithville "															*28	
Hoopeston Juniors	Miss Emma Gaskill	Hoopeston "															*25	
Washburn Juniors	Mrs. Belle Wallace	Washburn "															* 8	
Eden Juniors	Miss Alice McNaughton	Eden "															* 5	
Central Illinois Presb	Miss Ralston, Sec.	Piper City "	208	94	77	34	8	16	67	15	10		17	541	7	113	205	30
Annual Meeting, Piper City, Sept., 1895.	Mrs. W. F. Johnson, Pres., Piper City, Ill.	Miss Julia Moffit, Jr. Sec., Paxton Ill.																
Illinois—Southern.	Mrs. J. C. Orth, Treas., Carlock, Ill.	Miss Jennie Harper, Cor. Sec., Smithville, Ill.																
Xenia Prairie	Mrs. V. C. Rankin	Xenia, Clay Co. Ill.	13	12	13									38			*17	
Coulterville	Mrs. A. B. Hamilton	Coulterville "	45	18				5						68			2	6
De Witt	Mrs. Dr. Morehead	De Witt, Ark.															19	
Jordan's Grove	Miss Lizzie Grier	Baldwin Ill.	50	11	6			7			5			79				
Marrisa	Mrs. R. C. Wagner	Marissa "	40	5				23	16	10			5	99	2	50	29	6
1st St. Louis	Mrs. D. C. Stewart	4204 Morgan St., St. Louis Mo.	25						180		18	5	4	232			20	7
Sparta	Mrs. J. C. Perkins	Sparta Ill.	35	31				25	89	8				188			43	13
Union	Mrs. Martha Wylie	Sparta "	15						38					53			12	2
Bethel	Mrs. J. C. Elliott	Swanwick "	44		3	11				2				60			35	8
Prosperity	Mrs. Jennie Lindsay	Tilden "	30	7	7			3	2					49	1		22	3
Grand Ave	Mrs. J. W. Ashwood	3632 Forest Pk. Boliv'd, St Louis	8	4	3	2	1	5	279	8				310			27	4
Wagoner Place	Mrs. A. C. Douglass	4560 Garfield Av., St. Louis, Mo.	15	3	2	2			41	5				68			18	8
Sparta Y. L. M. S.	Maggie Frazier	Sparta Ill.	10							3				13			33	
Sparta Mission Band	Mrs. Daisy Pinkerton	Sparta "	3											3	1	10	44	
Oakdale	Mrs. Maggie Ardrey	Oakdale "	20	7						12				39			33	5
Romine Prairie	Mrs. R. A. Morton	Raccoon "	10							4				14			19	
Springfield	Mrs. D. G. Warnock	Preston "	10											10			11	
Cutler	Mrs. Mary T. Brown	Cutler "	20						2					22			12	1
Starkville	No report																*15	

Illinois—Southern, Con.																				
Hopewell	No report																	*15		
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS PRESB.	Miss Etta McMillan, Sec.			393	98	34	15	1	68	647	52	23	5	9	1,345	4	60	446	63
	Mrs. J. W. Ashwood, Pres., 3632 Forest Park Boulevard, St. Louis. Mrs. F. R. Crothers, Treas. Sparta, Ill.																			
Indiana.																				
Carmel	Miss Jennie McPeel	Hanover	Ind.	42	15	5	5	6		13					86	1	11	25	7
Carmel M. B.	No report																	16		
Caledonia	Mrs. Amanda McConnell	Moorefield	Ind	8	7					39	2				56	1	15	23	4
1st U. P. Church, Indianapolis	Mrs. Joseph Littell	Indianapolis	"	6	1		1		2						10			12	6
Madison	Miss Susie McFetridge	313 Depot St., Madison	"	12		5	4			17					38			1	9
Madison M. B.	No report																	*6		
Milroy	Mrs. Mary Norris	Milroy	Ind.	27	9	18			1						55			12		
Richland	Miss Mattie Hart	Richland	"	25	7	7			2	4					45	1	7	7	3
Rushville	Miss Anna Davidson	Rushville	"	18	14		5								37			17	6
Spring Hill	Mrs. Mila Meek	Spring Hill	"	40	12	13	3	1		30		4			103	1	25		17
Shiloh	Miss Lizzie Hudelson	Dunreith	"															*20		
Greenwood																				
Woodruff Ave. 2d U. P.	Mrs. J. P. Cowan	44 Warden St., Ind'apolis,	Ind.	2	3		10		13	181	2				211	1	7	7	10
2d U. P. M. B.	No report																			
INDIANA PRESB.	Miss Margaret Logan, Sec.	Spring Hill	Ind.	180	68	48	28	7	18	284	4	4			641	5	65	138	62
Semi-Annual Meeting, Shiloh, Indiana.	Mrs. Rev. H. H. Crawford, Pres. Mrs. Dr. French, Treas.																			
Indiana—Northern.																				
Bethsaida	Mrs. R. H. Boyd	Tipton	Ind.	3		3					33				39			24	8
Muncie																		* 5		
Mulberry																		*12		
Sharon																		* 8		
Idaville																				
Mt. Pleasant	Mrs. N. A. Hall	Mulberry	Ind.	6	6										12			15	2
NORTHERN ILLINOIS PRESB.				9	6	3					33				51			64	10
Kansas City.																				
Nortonville	Mrs. Eleanor Taylor	Northonville	Kan.	12						4					16				5
2d Kansas City	Mrs. Amelia A. White	1924 E. 14th St., Kan. City,	Mo.	5	5					135					145	1	18	12	6
Mulberry	Mrs. W. A. Thompson	Mulberry	"	13	3					21	3			3	43			12	
Amoret	Mrs. H. G. Davis	Amoret	"	3	3	3									9			15	4
Topeka Aid Soc.	Mrs. A. McDowell	8th & Leland St., Topeka	Kan.						4	6					10			*21	
Birmingham	Mrs. W. H. Douglass	Birmingham	"	20					2						22			20	
1st Kansas City	Mrs. F. B. Murch	808 E. 16th St., Kan. City	Mo.	10				11	34	10	4				69			22	
Lawrence	No report	Lawrence	Kan.															*27		
		Topeka	"															*22		
Dennison	No report																			
KANSAS CITY PRESB.	Cora Douglass, Sec	Birmingham		63	11	3		11	40	176	7			3	314	1	18	151	15
Annual Meeting, Spring meeting of Presby.	Mrs. Amelia A. White, Pres. Miss Lizzie Hood, Treas.	Lizzie Hood, Jr. Sec.																		

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Keokuk.																		
Ainsworth	*Mrs. Phœbe McKinzie	Ainsworth, Iowa.	26	8				21	1					56			30	2
Ainsworth Y. Ladies'	Miss Emma Barnes	Ainsworth, "	27	9										36	4	10	18	
Burlington	Mrs. Claribel Sanderson	111 Grand St., Burlington, "	12						50	2				64			18	3
Birmingham	Miss Anna M. Boon	Birmingham, "	10	5					4					19	1	15	14	1
Brighton	Mrs. Lyons	Brighton, "		15										15			14	1
Crawfordsville	Mrs. Maggie Strain	Crawfordsville, "	25						4	40				69			16	2
Columbus City	Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson	Columbus City, "	13											12			37	1
Keokuk	Mrs. H. M. Lowine	Keokuk, "	17	14										31			27	
Keota	Mrs. S. F. Leacox	Keota, "	10						20					30			12	
Living Lake	Miss Ella Montgomery	Washington, "	32	11						4				47			34	3
Morning Sun	Edna Wilson	Morning Sun, "	25	8										33	1	25	28	6
Winfield	Mrs. Lillian Conden	Winfield, "	12		9									21			20	2
West Chester	Mrs. C. R. Whitehill	West Chester, "	5											5	2	4	13	3
1st Washington	Mrs. Mary E. Boice	Washington, "	32	84		14		37		4	10	2		183	12	254	60	20
1st Washington Y. Ladies'	Miss F. Taylor	Washington, "	15	7										22	8	4	24	2
1st Washington Miss. Band	No report																*30	
2d Washington Miss. Band	Mrs. F. H. Samson	Washington, Iowa.	38	10				40		3				91	11	305	20	7
2d Washington Golden R. C. K. D.	Sadie Conner	Washington, "	25					5						30	2	41	19	1
2d Washington Willing Workers	Miss Flora Cunningham	Washington, "			10									10	1	1	9	
2d Washington H. Circle, K. D.	Miss Jennie Anderson	Washington, "						4		12				16			14	1
KEOKUK PRESB.	Miss Elizabeth Glenn, Sec.	Washington, "	323	171	19	14		107	79	65	10	2		790	37	659	457	55
Semi-Annual Meeting—Brighton, Iowa, last Tuesday of March.	Mrs. Rev. J. A. Greer, Pres. Columbus City, Ia. Mrs. Eva Welch, Treas., Ainsworth, Ia.	Mrs. Lynn Logan, Jr. Sec., Washington, Iowa.																
Lake.																		
Adamsville	Mrs. Sarah Lyon	Adamsville, Pa.	5	5	5	5	5	6						31			15	7
Cochranton	Mrs. Hutchman	Cochranton, "	10	10	9	9								38	2	48	30	9
Coneaut Lake	Mrs. W. P. Mason	Stony Point "						12		2				14			35	
Erie	Mrs. C. J. Brown	West 26th St, Erie, "	26	5	67			26	9					137			50	27
Erie Young Ladies'	Miss Minnie McCann	1014 Wallace St., Erie, "															† 16	
Greenville	Mrs. Robert Dickey	Greenville, "	7	10					19	2				38	1		46	10
Hartstown	Miss E. McMichael	Adamsville, "	10		10					14				34	2	68	27	4
Jamestown	Mrs. M. A. Harshaw	Adamsville, "	6	6	24	5				5	6		6	58	3	25	22	16
Kerr Ridge	Mrs. Emily Dodds	Titusville, "	5	5	1				12					23			12	
Linesville	Mrs. J. F. Allen, Sec.	Linesville, "				16			9					25	1	4	15	
North Shenango	Mrs. W. P. Bennett	Espyville Station, "	5	5	5			10		2				27	3	60	28	9
North Shen. Young Ladies'	Miss Mary Steele	Linesville, "								2				2	2	30	10	4
North Sandy	Miss Cora McClelland	Utica, Venango Co., "			10				6	2	5			23	2	10	20	2
Oil City	Miss Maud Love	South Oil City, "	10	11				25	350	10				406	5	73	26	8
Shenango	Miss Tirzah Story	Westford, "	3	5	2				10	3				23			16	3
Sheakleyville	Mrs. W. R. Bruce	Sheakleyville, "							25					25	1	7	6	4
Sandy Lake																		
Utica	Miss Effie Cousins	Utica, Pa.	10		3			7		13				33	3	40	32	9
Waterford	Miss Mary Moore	Waterford, "	27		16	13				2				58			18	10
Powers	Miss Bell Nelson	Calvin's Cor's, Crawford Co. "															*6	

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Juniors																		
Adamsville Mission Band	Mrs. H. W. Brown, Supt.	Adamsville, Pa.	25										25			26		
Hartstown Mission Band	Miss Julia McArthur, Supt	Hartstown "		3	4								7			23		
North Shenango	Miss A. Barackman, Supt.	Linesville "												1	8	8		
Utica	Mrs. F. M. McClelland, Spt	Utica "			3								3			18		
LAKE PRESB.	Mrs. R. T. Shank, Sec	329 E. 8th St., Erie "	149	65	159	48	5	86	435	66	11	6	1,030	26	368	490	122	

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Miss L. Donnan, Pres., Cochranton, Pa.
Mrs. J. T. Reed, Treas., Cochranton, Pa.
Miss Jennie Pressly, Jr. Sec., Erie, Pa.
Miss Ella Smith, Lit. Sec., Westford, Pa.

Le Claire, Iowa.

Stanwood	Mrs. J. C. Truesdale	Stanwood, Iowa.	15	13									28	2	10	21		
DeWitt	Mrs. S. C. McGinness	De Witt "	8	15									23			13		
LeClaire Prairie	Mrs. M. E. Crawford	Le Claire "	14	14	15								43	1	10	20		
Elvira	Mrs. McConnel	Elvira "		6									6	1	50	8		
Andrew	Mrs. R. C. Gibson	Andrew "	8	8	9								25			12		
Scotch Grove																*10		
Wyoming																* 6		
Clarence																*14		
Elvira Mission Band																*17		
DeWitt Willing Workers																		
LECLAIRE PRESB.	Mrs. M. J. Carson, Sec.	Wheatland Iowa.	45	56	24								125	4	70	121	27	

Semi-Annual Meeting—Elvira, 2d Tuesday in April, 1896.
Mrs. C. E. Hannah, Pres., LeClair.
Mrs. A. M. Howat, Treas., DeWilt.
Miss Annie Claney, Jr. Sec., Stanwood, Iowa.
Mrs. Scott Hamilton, Lit. Sec., Elvira, Iowa.

Los Angeles, Cal.

1st U. P. Church	Mrs. M. H. Dallas	431 Phil'a St., Los Angeles, Cal.	26	34		11							71			17		
2d U. P. Church	Mrs. H. W. Crabbe	1016 S. Hope St., Los Angeles "						12	28				40			16		
Beaumont	Mrs. M. J. Thompson															* 7		
Santa Ana	Mrs. D. L. Anderson	Santa Ana Cal.	15	8	5	5						9	42			25		
San Diego	Mrs. F. T. Hill	San Diego "	53	24	25								102			18		
Grand Ave	Mrs. C. P. Wadsworth	Elsinore "														†10		
Wildomar	Mrs. A. W. Jamison				6	6							12			19		
LOS ANGELES PRESB.	Miss Annie J. Boone, Sec	1618 Penn Av., Los Angeles, Cal.	94	66	36	22		12	28			9	267			112		

Annual Meeting—Los Angeles, March 27 and 28, 1895.
Mrs. J. A. Gordon, Pres.
Mrs. Lowrie, Treas.
Miss Mary A Crabbe, Jr. Sec.
Miss Julia Jamieson, Lit. Sec.

Mansfield, Ohio.

Iberia	Mrs. Laura Caldwell	Iberia Ohio.	20	29					99	32				180			31	3
Fredericksburg	Mrs. W. E. Shaw	Fredericksburg "	26						34					60	1	6	20	
Junior Miss. Society	Mrs. Joe Lytle, Supt.	Fredericksburg "	4	5					24					33	1	2	20	
Tiro	Mrs. Martha Cleland	Tiro "	15	5	5				4					29			9	6
Savannah	Mrs. Phœbe McWilliams	Savannah "	25							2				27	1	20	24	7
Junior Miss. Society	Charley Copland	Savannah "			4									4	1	2	20	
Wooster	Mrs. M. J. Wallace	Wooster "	75							9				84	1	10	22	10
Junior Miss. Society	Mrs. R. J. Smith, Supt.	Wooster "	5	4										9				
Willing Workers		Wooster "	5											5			33	
Canton	Mrs. D. K. McKnight	Canton "															11	1
*Ontario	Mrs. J. F. Walker	Box 237 Mansfield "							8					8			7	1
Millersburg	Miss Kate Adams	Millersburg "	10						25	3		4		42	1	20	19	2
Junior Miss. Society	Miss Mary Maxwell, Supt.	Millersburg "							10					10	1	2	17	

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Mansfield, O., Continued.																		
Mansfield	Mrs. W. P. Martin	E. Park Ave., Mansfield "	23	19	25					8				75	2	10	50	8
Utica	No report																	
Y. Ladies' Miss. Band, Mansfield	Miss Fannie Craig	S. Main St., Mansfield Ohio.	12							3				15			20	2
MANSFIELD PRESB.	Miss Kate Adams, Sec	Millersburg "	220	58	38				204	57			4	581	9	72	308	40
Semi-Annual Meeting—Iberia, O., June 19 and 20, 1895.	Mrs. W. E. Shaw, Pres., Fredericksburg, Ohio. Mrs. F. B. Foster, Treas., Mansfield, Ohio.																	
Mercer.																		
Sharon	Mrs. Rose Stewart	Sharon Pa.	13	13	13	3		3	19					64			18	5
1st Mercer	Mrs. James Patterson	Mercer "	42	21	15		3	2	26					109	1	42	29	8
Lackawannock	Mrs. S. L. Love	Wheeler "													1	38	35	1
1st New Wilmington	Miss Frances Barr	New Wilmington "	75	12										87	2	73	15	2
2d Mercer	Mrs. A. B. Thompson	Mercer "	76	13	13	13			21	8	52		22	218	2	100	*38	
2d Mercer Young Ladies'	Mrs. W. R. Wilson	Mercer "	5	10	5	5			5	2				82	1	55	15	
East Brook	Mrs. Jennie Edie	East Brook "	5	11	10				103					129	2	103	24	7
Plain Grove	Mrs. John Barber	Plain Grove "		17	9	11								37	2	35	18	6
Plain Grove Young Ladies'	Miss Jennie M'Millan	Harlansburg "	3	3	7	2			5					20			15	
2d New Wilmington	Mrs. E. N. McElree	New Wilmington "	108	31	47	19		59	1	4	5	5	5	284	6	74	38	34
2d New Wil. Young Ladies'	Miss Bertha Houston	New Wilmington "						3						3			15	
2d New Wil. Mission Band	Miss Floy Robertson	New Wilmington "	25											25			12	
West Middlesex	Mrs. W. J. Snodgrass	West Middlesex "	50	30	24	22	10	5						141			10	
New Bedford	Mrs. J. P. Davis	New Bedford "													1	33	28	6
MERCER PRESB.	Miss L. M. Elliott, Sec	New Wilmington "	402	211	143	75	18	77	175	14	57	5	27	1,199	18	583	272	69
Annual Meeting—New Bedford, Pa., June 4, 1895.	Mrs. M. J. Elliott, Pres., New Wilmington, Pa. Mrs. R. S. Madge, Treas., Wheeler, Pa.	Miss Hanna Peebles, Jr. Sec., Harlansburg, Pa.																
Monmouth, Illinois.																		
Alexis	Mrs. Amelia Gibson	Alexis Ill.	13	8	2	8	2	4	3					40	3	60	30	10
Biggsville	Mrs. J. A. Renwick	Biggsville "	50	50					10	4				114			30	16
Ellison	Mrs. J. W. Rankin	Stronghurst "	52						45	3				100	1	25	20	5
Elmira	Miss Margaret Oliver	Gerlaw "	25											25	2		24	4
Gerlaw	Mrs. T. G. Morrow	Gerlaw "	25						20	10				55			24	5
Henderson	Mrs. C. M. Rodgers	Eleanor "	25	32						58				115	1	15	40	13
Kirkwood	Mrs. S. F. Gibson	Kirkwood "	50	20					27	9				106	1	15	65	7
Media	Mrs. W. S. Mathers	Media "						1	19					20			14	5
1st Monmouth	Mrs. W. M. Pinkerton	Monmouth "	137	25	25	10	5			18	15			235	1	10	70	52
1st Monmouth Y. L. Miss. Society.	Miss Nellie McKelvey	Monmouth "	40	28					50	1				119	3	40	30	
2d Monmouth	Mrs. Carrie Martin	E. 1st Ave., Monmouth "	100	66	21	10				38				235	2	45	67	29
2d Monmouth Y. L. Miss. Society	Miss Margaret Currie	312 S. 6th St., Monmouth "	41	15										56			26	
Olena	Mrs. John Carruthers	Stronghurst "	25	15	1									41	1	19	14	5
South Henderson	Mrs. Mary Findley	Aquawkee "	10	12	4				67	2				95			18	4
Smith Creek	Mrs. Wm. Hutchenson	Reed "	14	6	5	5								30			8	6

Monmouth, Ill., Continued,																											
Stringhurst	Mrs. Jennie Allison	Stronghurst, Ill.	5	11					196	2				214			16	8
9th Ave	Mrs. J. Jamiesen Hogan	Monmouth "	5	5						1				11			15	2
Jun. Miss. Society, Stringhurst	Mrs. J. B. McArthur																36	
MONMOUTH PRESB	Miss M. J. Currie, Sec	312 S. 6th St., Monmouth, Ill.	617	293	58	33	7	5	437	143	15			1,611	15	229	547	166
Annual Meeting—April 4, 1895, at Kirkwood, Ills.	Mrs. J. L. Campbell, Pres., E. 1st. Ave. Monmouth, Ill. Mrs. J. H. McMillan, Treas Broadway, Monmouth, Ill.																	
Monongahela.																		
1st Women's	Mrs. W. J. Reid	344 Oakland Ave., Pitts. Pa.	65	59	55	25				6		1	26	272			115	45
Young Women's	Miss Sarah McIlwaine	Kansas St., Pitts. "	50	25	25	10		35		3	25			138			50	
Reid K's D's	Miss Margaret Donelson	160 Sandusky St., All'y "	25		10	10				2				57			15	
Junior	Mrs. Albert Stevenson	215 Coltart Sq., Pitts. "								2				52			16	
Oakland Women's	Mrs. J. M. Ross	28 Mawhinney St., Pitts "	25	20	5			10		5		5	5	114			20	17
K's D's	Mrs. Clara Bradley	36 DeSoto St., Pitts "	35	30										155			20	
Ross Junior '94	Mrs. Mary B. Millar	Children's Hospital, Forbes St., Pitts "		5	53	50		25	34	5								
2d Women	Miss E. D. Brown	Craft Ave., Pitts "							19	3								
3d Women	Mrs. J. T. McCrory	371 Wylie Ave., Pitts "	90	35	70	10		102	2	1				3			21	
McCrory Young Women	Miss Mary Floyd	385 Wylie Ave., Pitts "	60	25		20				5	51	7	71	441			37	28
K's D's	Miss Tillie Brown	253 Webster Ave., Pitts "	90	76				67	100	3	50	25		350			60	35
Junior	Miss Belle P. Floyd	385 Wylie Ave., Pitts "	5	5	10			25	41	3				235	2		36	35
4th Young Women	Mrs. Alex. Thompson		5	20	60			23	5	2				50			18	
5th Women	Miss Agnes C. Johnston	495 Webster Ave., Pitts. Pa.	2	2	2	2			10	1		5	5	106			38	
K's D's	Miss Bertha A. Norris	372 Webster Ave., Pitts. "	10	10	15	5	5	5	46		2	2	2	14				
Junior	Miss Agnes C. Johnston	495 Webster Ave., Pitts. "	2	2	1	2	2	5	25	3				99			29	8
6th Women	Mrs. A. P. Burchfield	Cor. Negley Ave. and Baum St., Pitts "	5		5					3				42			13	
Ladies' Aid '94	Mrs. W. J. Walker	5643 Margretta St., Pitts. "	100	161	125	100						5		15			*50	
Young Women	Miss Sara Milholland	5607 Walnut St., Pitts "								3								
Junior	Mrs. Anna M. Sturtevant	581 Collins Ave., Pitts. "	15	108	33	33								489	4	50	100	65
7th Women	Mrs. J. C. Hare	237 43d St., Pitts "	84	15	55	25											15	
Young Women	Miss Emma Colvin	151 44th St., Pitts "	50	35	10	10	5		175	3	20		20	189	2	61	74	
Junior	Mrs. J. E. Libbey	288 Fisk St., Pitts "	15	25					97					179			58	
8th Women	Mrs. John S. Lambie	7 Cliff St., Pittsburg "	1	6	5	3			18	1		1	9	32	1	10	37	42
Dorcas Young Women	Miss Cora Silknitter	160 Bedford Ave., Pitts. "	25	20					7	3	25		29	137	1	50	35	
Junior			25	20				5	69	3				41	1		88	
9th Women	Mrs. R. A. Elliot	7102 Sidney St., Pittsburg "												109			20	5
Young Women	Mrs. Sadie Mitchell	81 Walters Ave. Pittsburg "	30	40	10	10		117	10	3				122			24	1
Wylie Ave. Women	Mrs. H. Blethrow	Granville and Enoch, Pitts. "	15	10	5	10				3			5	225	1	15	*50	
11th Women	Mrs. A. M. Andrews	248 S. Main St. W. E., Pitts. "	10	10						2				42			52	20
Junior	Mrs. Matilda Workman		5	10						3				28			15	
Mt. Washington Women	Mrs. R. H. Hood	Prospect St., Mt. Wash., Pitts. "					5							20			20	7
Young Women '94	Miss Myra Shannon	Prospect St., 32d Wd., Pitts "	10	5	8	14											25	12
Junior			5	10	5				3					40				
Shadyside Women	Mrs. G. H. Radcliffe	Evaline St., Pitts. Pa.							2					22			14	8
Young Women	Miss Bessie Stevenson	Hayes St., Pitts. "	156	27	32	31	46	27	13	14							*23	
Junior	Miss M. J. Stevenson	529 Winebiddle Ave., Pitts. "	25	35	65								30	376	2	25	51	41
Allentown Women	Mrs. Douthett	4 0 Orchard Pl., Knoxville "	25	10	133			5		2				132			*22	
Junior	Mrs. Ross	Mt. Oliver P. O., Pitts. "		10					26	1				195			98	
33d St. Women	Mrs. Jennie Henninger	3335 Penn Ave., Pitts. "							68	3				81			26	12
Junior	Mrs. Nannie Griffith	3320 Ridge St., Pitts. "		10	5													
Highland Ave. Women	Mrs. A. M. Denholm	466 Frankstown Av., Pitts. "	2	2	12	2			66	8				89			20	9
Coraopolis Women	Mrs. N. W. Stoops	Coraopolis "		5						1				19				
Junior	Mrs Jno. Watt	Coraopolis "							16	3								
Carnegie Women	Mrs. A. C. Ruby	Carnegie "									5			29			16	6
Young Women	Miss Mary A. McNall	Cranegie "	10	68			2	21	3									
Junior				3				2	2					104	2	115	55	38
														7	1	13	12	2

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Chartiers Women	Mrs. Annie Nixon	McKees Rocks, Pa.							10	3				13			24	
Hebron Women	Mrs. Mary Barclay	Rodi, "	15				10	40		3				68			26	14
Homestead Women	Mrs. W. L. C. Samson	Homestead, "		20					27					47			19	10
Junior	Mrs. W. L. C. Samson	Homestead, "	4	4					2	1				11			*18	
Hammilton Ave. Women	Mrs. Samuel Perry	Lang Ave., Pitts, "	5	5	20					3				33	1	50	21	10
Ingram Women	Miss S. J. Frew	Ingram, "	25	30	10	5				3			47	120			34	10
Young Women	Miss Mary White	Crafton, "	10	31	5					2				48			21	
Junior	Mrs. Lizzie Sands	Ingram, "		5	10	6				1	2		1	25				
Jefferson Women	Mrs. Jennie Montgomery	Gill Hall, "		18	5					3				26	2	27	17	5
McDonald Women	Mrs. W. D. Irons	McDonald, "	5	20	10	4			1	3			20	63			27	18
Junior																	*34	
Oakdale Women	Mrs. Agnes M. Kemps	Oakdale Station, Pa.		5					17	3	5	5	5	40	1	32	18	6
Junior					4					1				5				
Robinson Run Women	Mrs. Lizzie J. English	Sturgeon, Pa.	113	22	17			5	3	3				163	3	25	22	18
St. Clair Women	Miss E. Kennedy		55	25	20			5	50	3				158	1	5	*28	
Junior	Mrs. J. C. Boyd	Mt. Lebanon, Alleg'y Co., Pa.																
Union Women	Mrs. M. Emma Adams	Enslow, "	30	30	10					3	5	5	10	93			48	19
Junior																		
Verona Women	Mrs. W. S. Nevin	Oakmont, Pa.	35	10				27		3	2			77	2	74	49	
1st Wilkinsburg Women	Mrs. Agnes P. Patterson	609 North Av., Wilkinsburg, "	30	20		22		15		3			25	115			48	38
Young Women																	25	
Junior	Mrs. Watts	Wilkinsburg, Pa.		5						1			22	28			60	
2d Wilkinsburg Women	Miss Eva S. Pew	909 Rebecca St. Wilkinsb'g, "	16	5				15	5	3			15	59	1	5	30	6
Junior '94																		
Hamilton Ave. Juniors										1				1				
Hamilton Avs. Young Women										3				3				
9th Church Juniors										1				1				
33d St. Y. W. M. S			5							2				7				
McDonald Y. W. M. S					25					3				28				
MONONGAHELA PRESB	Miss M. J. Mitchell, Sec	Liberty Ave., Pitts, Pa.	1,425	1,214	950	409	73	560	985	160	187	66	344	6,373	28	557	2047	590
Semi-Annual Meetings, Third Thursday April. First Thursday October.	Mrs. J. D. Sands, Pres., Miss E. D. Brown, Treas., Craft Ave., Pitts., Pa.	Mrs. E. M. Hill, Jr. Sec., Margaretta St., E.E., Pitts., Pa. Mrs. Jean S. Sands, Lit. Sec. Bedford Ave., Pitts.																
Muskingum.																		
Antrim	Miss Lizzie Lawrence	Antrim, Guernsey Co., Ohio.	20							2	4			26	1	4	21	5
Barlow	Mrs. Nettie McFarland	Vincent, "	8											8			17	4
Clear Fork	Mrs. Agnes Thomson	Milnersville, "	6	19	12					1				38			*17	
Bloomfield	Mrs. N. Winegart	Sago, "	45	10	10	10			135	2			1	213	1	13	47	5
Cambridge	Mrs. M. M. Hawthorn	Cambridge, "	50						32	7			25	114	2	70	28	12
Fairview	Mrs. Eliza Giffen	Fairview, "	36		15								5	56	1	5	22	7
Lebanon	No report																*25	
Mt. Hermon	Mrs. J. M. Duncan	Indian Camp, Ohio.	24	14					77	2				111			25	6
Morganville	Mrs. Fannie McCall	Morganville, "	2											2			* 6	
1st New Concord	Mrs. W. A. Moore	New Concord, "	55	5				35	97		1			193	1	1	28	12

Muskingum, Continued.																				
2d New Concord	Mrs. Rev. J. A. Kennedy	New Concord, Ohio.	23	6	6				27	10				72	5	99	37	10
1st New Concord Y. Ladies'	Miss Rosa Patterson	New Concord, "	12	12	5				38	1				68	1	15	16	
Norwich	Mrs. R. C. Wyatt	Norwich, "	5	5	6	7	7	14	9	2		6		61			20	6
Rix Mills	Miss Margaret Shephard	New Concord, "	7		4	6		8	5	3				33	1	10	32	7
Thornville	Mrs. L. J. Whitmer	Thornville, "	7	8					16	5			5	41	2	47	19	4
Londonderry	Mrs. L. B. Logan	Londonderry, "	30	5									5	40			10	2
Zanesville	Mrs. W. Z. Wylie	Zanesville, "	12						7					19			12	4
Washington	No report																*17	
MUSKINGUM PRESB.	Mrs. J. H. Nash, Sec	Cambridge, Ohio.	342	84	58	23	7	57	443	35	5	6	41	1,101	15	264	399	84
Annual Meeting–Antrim, 1st Tuesday of June, 1895.	Mrs. J. M. Duncan, Pres. Indian Camp, Ohio. Mrs. W. S. Heade, Treas., Cambridge, Ohio.	Mrs. Leanna Creig, Jr. Sec., Cambridge, Ohio. Miss Jennie Taylor, Lit. Sec., Tyner, Guernsy Co., Ohio.																
New York, N. Y.																		
2d Brooklyn	Miss S. C. Patterson	135 7th Ave., Brooklyn ... N. Y.	20					10						30	1	10	10	5
East 119th St	Mrs. T. C. McKelvey	20 E. 120th St., New York, "	13	27					5	5				50			18	2
Summit Ave	Mrs. A. S. Biddle	624 Montgomery St., Jersy City	8	15				10	152	2				187			17	2
1st Brooklyn	Mrs. J. H. Andrew	500 Madison St., Brooklyn, N.Y.	9							4			7	20			10	4
1st New York	Mrs. A. E. Thompson	3 Perry St., New York, "	57	25					127	12				221			50	12
Newark	Mrs. MacMeechan	105 Bellville Av. Newark, N. J.	12						351					363	1	16	22	3
Graham Church, Pine Bush	Mrs. H. J. McKinney	Pine Bush, N. Y.	9						155					164			30	7
7th Avenue	Mrs. M. J. Hale	151 W. 15th St., New York, "		30				25						55			17	
Washington Heights	No report																20	
West 44th St	Mrs. Robert McDonald	545 W. 50th St., New York, "	32					5	105	3				145			15	2
NEW YORK PRESB.	Mrs. J. A. Edmiston, Sec		140	97				50	895	26			7	1,235	2	26	209	37
Semi-Annual Meeting — October, 1895, Newark, N. J.	Mrs. J. A. Edmiston, Pres., 25 Madison St. Brooklyn. Miss Neely, Treas.	Miss Isabel Shea, Jr. Sec., 244 W. 48th St., N. Y. City.																
North Platte, Nebraska.																		
Alliance	Mrs. W. E. Dunlap	Alliance, Neb.	5	5					10					20			21	
Rushville	Mrs. W. R. Cox	Rushville, "				80								80			10	
Harrisburg	Mrs. Emma P. Ferguson	Loraine, "															* 6	
Gordon	Mrs. Ida Graham	Gordon, "															* 6	
NORTH PLATTE PRESB.	Miss Miller, Sec. Mrs. Bennett, Pres. Lillie O. Gillespie, Treas.		5	5		80			10					100			43	
North Western Iowa.																		
Battle Creek	Mrs. D. Nicoll	Ida Grove, Iowa.		6										6			12	1
Quimby	Mrs. E. Torrence Hood	Quimby, "	8		3	2			60					73	1	10	14	6
Ireton	Mrs. Lizzie E. Gamble	Ireton, "	36						11					47	1	15	36	7
Rock Valley	Mrs. S. R. McLaughlin	Rock Valley, "	25						40	7				72	2	20	27	7
Sioux City	Mrs. Carrie McKerihan	Sioux City, "															* 4	
Boyden																	*10	
NORTH WESTERN IOWA PRESB.	Mrs. Lizzie E. Gamble, Sec Mrs. Ella T. Hood, Pres., Quimby, Ia. Mrs. John Brown, Treas., Ireton, Ia.	Ireton, " Mrs. Lizzie E. Gamble, Jr. Sec., Ireton, Iowa.	69	6	3	2			111	7				198	4	45	108	21
1st Ohio.																		
Cincinnati	Mrs. J. L. Brown	34 Fulton Av. Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, Ohio.	25	20	12		5	8	1	9				80			16	8
Dayton	Mrs. Margaret Service	S. Wayne Ave., Dayton.	8	5	5	5	2		22	2				49			19	6

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1st Ohio, Continued.																		
Fair Haven	Miss Emma Wilson	Fair Haven, Preble Co....Ohio.	10	10	14	6	6	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	49	1	20	34	21
Fair Haven Junior Union	Miss Mary Scouller	Fair Haven, Preble Co.... "	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	10	.....
Hamilton	Mrs. J. L. Kirkpatrick	N. 3d St. Hamilton..... "	25	15	10	5	5	5	31	1	.....	.....	.....	97	3	30	30	.....
Hamilton Gleaners	Miss Lida Caldwell	41 N. B St., Hamilton..... "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*20	.....
Hopewell	Mrs. J. F. Hutchinson	Morning Sun, Preble Co... "	15	5	5	2	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	29	1	10	18	6
Morning Sun	Mrs. M. Bella Elliott	Morning Sun, Preble Co... "	82	45	26	21	5	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	189	1	15	55	20
Morning Sun Junior Union	M. M. Gillespie, Sec	Morning Sun, Preble Co... "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	†13	.....
Mt. Pleasant	Miss Maggie Stewart	Lemon, Butler Co..... "	17	9	3	6	2	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	38	.....	.....	17	9
Oxford	Mrs. J. R. Brittain	Oxford, Butler Co..... "	16	4	6	3	4	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	36	1	15	26	4
Junior Union	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	†17	.....
Richmond	Mrs. Cora Gilchrist	N. B St., Richmond.....Ind.	30	5	5	.....	.....	9	10	20	.....	.....	.....	79	1	20	45	36
Young Ladies' Band	Miss Lilian LeFevre	Richmond..... "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Unity	Mrs. Bina Hawley	College Corner, Butler Co. Ohio.	25	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	51	.....	.....	36	.....
1st Ohio Presb	Mrs. M. E. Simpson, Sec	70 High St., Dayton.....Ohio.	253	135	87	48	30	22	73	50	.....	.....	.....	698	8	110	356	110
Annual Meeting—1st Tuesday of June.	Miss Clara J. Brown, Pres., Morning Sun, Ohio. Mrs. V. A. Brown, Treas., Morning Sun, Ohio.	Mrs. Anna Johnson, Jr. Sec., Oxford, Ohio. Miss Ella Scouller. Lit. Sec., Fair Haven, Preble Co., O.																
Omaha.																		
North Bend	Mrs. H. H. McConnell	North Bend.....Neb.	10	8	11	.....	.....	3	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	37	3	24	20	11
North Bend Mission Band	Miss Jennie McVicker	North Bend ..... "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*60	.....
Majors	Mrs. Jennie Miller	Majors, Buffalo Co..... "	5	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	20	5
Dunbar	Mrs. Thomas Hall	Dunbar..... "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14	3	.....	.....	.....	17	2	30	15	4
Murray	Miss Lizzie B. McNeal	Murray, Cass Co..... "	.....	.....	.....	274	.....	.....	4	2	.....	.....	.....	80	1	10	18	3
Orchard	No report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*15	.....
Kearney	Mrs. W. R. Adair	Kearney .....Neb.	15	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	10	3
1st Church, Omaha	Mrs. M. M. Gillespie	1920 Emmet St., Omaha... "	20	15	15	.....	.....	5	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	70	.....	.....	27	11
South Omaha	Mrs. Lizzie Westerfield	13th & Missouri Av., S. O. "	7	9	17	.....	.....	.....	66	5	.....	.....	.....	104	.....	.....	13	3
Cheerful Givers	Miss Alta Heath	16th, near West, S. O. ..... "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	2	5	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	60	.....
Park Avenue	Mrs. Ella Gratton	39th, near Farnham, O..... "	7	7	3	3	1	.....	30	8	.....	.....	.....	59	.....	.....	16	15
Park Avenue Mission Band	Miss Effie LeRoy	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	*40	.....
Central	Mrs. E. M. Williamson	315 N. 5th St., Omaha.....Neb.	10	16	16	.....	9	.....	1,143	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,194	.....	.....	35	30
Willing Workers	Clarance Williamson	315 N. 25th St., Omaha..... "	.....	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13	.....	.....	*16	.....
Mission Band, Murray	.....	Murray. ..... "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	1	5	40	.....
Buds of Promise	.....	Dunbar..... "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	* 9	.....
North Bend Mission Band	No report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Omaha Presb	Mrs. Ella E. Gratton, Sec	.....	74	88	62	277	10	16	1,274	44	.....	.....	.....	1,845	7	69	414	85
Annual Meeting—October 8, 1895, Murray, Neb.	Mrs. L. E. Hawk, Pres. Mrs. G. G. Wallace, Treas.	Miss Ada M. Cook, Jr. Sec. Miss M. McAra, Lit. Sec.																
Oregon.																		
Grand Avenue	Mrs. H. F. Wallace	287 Grand Av., N. Portland, Ore.	10	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	35	.....	.....	14	2
Olympia	Mrs. W. G. M. Hays	Olympia..... Wash.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	8	.....

Oregon, Continued.																					
Seattle, Wash.	Mrs. H. J. Johnson	Seattle	Wash.						1	17					18			11	4
Tacoma	Mrs. W. H. Gaston	1317 N 8th St., Tacoma	"		6					16					22			14	4
Shedd	Mrs. Maggie B. Maxwell	Shedd	Ore.	3	3				7	20					33			13	1
Willamette	Mrs. Amanda Stockton	Oakville	"	30	9	3	3			7					53		30	32	6
1st Portland	Mrs. E. Dalgleish	303 12th St., Portland	"	25	17										42			16	7
*Albany	Mrs. E. F. Sox	Albany	"															*34	
*Albany Young People	Mrs. Henrietta Brown	Albany	"															*35	
*Willamette Branch	Mrs. Adelia F. McBride	Shedd	"															*32	
OREGON PRESB	Mrs. Ella J. Jordan, Sec	823 Seneca St., Seattle	Wash.	68	45	3	3		8	80					207	4	30	209	24
Pawnee.																			
Lincoln	Mrs. E. E. Fife	Lincoln	Neb.								3				3	1	15	15	2
Benkleman	Mrs. J. I. George	Benkelman	"							5					5	2	5	6	
1st Pawnee	Mrs. Margaret McCready	Pawnee City	"	16	21	15				139	4				195			27	2
Wilsonville	Mrs. E. M. H. Moore	Wilsonville	"	7		7	7		5	12					38			19	5
Summerfield	Mrs. L. H. Mitchell	Summerfield	Kan.	18	18	14	24			66	2				142			18	11
Burchard	Miss Ella Herron	Burchard	Neb.	13		3				76					92			19	3
Superior	Mrs. J. B. Gray	Superior	"	20		15	10		4		4				53	1	3	18	11
Women's Miss. Society	Mrs. J. S. Colvin	Bookwalter	"	10	7	6				22	1				41	1	15	25	6
Women's Miss. Society, 2d Church	Mrs. C. W. Hammond	Pawnee City	"	7	11					9					27	1	15	14	2
Women's Miss. Society	Mrs. E. M. Duncan	Liberty, Gage Co.	"	10	10	10	10		44	3	3	2			94	2	20	22	11
Women's Miss. Society	Mrs. M. M. Kilpatrick	Minden	"		17					5					22			30	7
Juniors—Superior																		*26	
1st Pawnee																		*30	
Mission Creek																		*16	
Wilsonville																		*14	
2d Pawnee																		*13	
Summerfield																			
PAWNEE PRESB	Miss May Anderson, Sec	Pawnee City	Neb.	101	84	70	51		53	337	17	2			715	8	73	309	60
Annual Meeting—Summerfield, Kan., Mar. 26, 1895.	Mrs. J. D. Nesbit, Pres., Pawnee. Mrs. C. E. Amberson, Treas. Superior.																		
Philadelphia.																			
2d U. P. Church	Mrs. W. C. Jackson	136 N. 18th St., Phila	Pa.	20	50				14	173					257			90	50
3d U. P. Church	Mrs. S. G. Fitzgerald	2010 N. 8th St., Phila	"		35					76	2				113			42	6
5th U. P. Church	Miss Jennie McIntyre	706 N. 22d St., Phila	"		5				25	73	8				111	55	25	35	
7th U. P. Church	Mrs. M. H. Logan	Thomas St., Frankford, Phila	"	50						50	5				105	1	50	73	
7th Church Miss. Band												8			8				
8th U. P. Church	Mrs. W. W. Barr	1425 Christian St., Phila	"	50				40	147		2				239			56	12
9th U. P. Church	Mrs. S. C. Parker	2249 N. 2d St., Phila	"	35						18					53			18	5
North U. P. Church	Mrs. J. F. Lieper	2315 N. 20th St., Phila	"	25	20				20	20	5				90	2	62	44	11
1st U. P. Church, Baltimore	Mrs. Wm. Laughlin	608 N. Fremont, Baltimore, Md.			28						3				31	1	35	20	18
1st Church Young Ladies	Miss Ethel C. Carson	1812 McCullough St., Balto.	"		25				152						177			*15	
Oxford, Pa	Miss Anna McCowan	Oxford	Pa.						20	210					230	1	25	20	5
Octorara	Mrs. Jane C. McClure	Octorara	"	10											10	1	6	12	9
West U. P. Church	Mrs. Frank Getty	705 N. 44th St., Phila	"	10	10			5	190	2					217	3	35	43	10
12th U. P. Church	Mrs. James Price	107 E. Lehigh Ave., Phila	"		5					17	1				23			23	
PHILADELPHIA PRESB	Miss Maggie Pollock, Sec			200	178			45	568	639	26	8			1,664	64	238	496	126
Semi-Annual Meeting—Last Tuesday in September, Oxford U. P. Church, Oxford, Pa.	Mrs. Frank Getty, Pres. Mrs. Wm. Boyd, Treas.	Mrs. Wm. C. Jackson, Lit. Sec.																	

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Pittsburg, Kansas.																		
Beulah	Mrs. M. H. Long	Beulah, Kan.	13	13	12	7		3	16					61			16	
Chetopa	Mrs. Free	Chetopa, "	25			5								30			24	
Pittsburg	Mrs. J. H. Gibson	Pittsburg, "		12				8						20			16	
Springfield	Mrs. Boyd Dysert	Springfield, Mo.							8					8			8	
PITTSBURG PRESB	Mrs. O. S. Johnson, Sec	Pittsburg, Kan.	38	25	12	12		11	24					122			64	15
Semi-Annual Meeting—Beulah, Kan., April 9, 1895.	Mrs. J. H. Gibson, Pres. Mrs. M. B. Burns Treas., Beulah. Kan.	Miss Anna Dysart, Jr. Sec., Springfield, Mo.																
Princeton.																		
Princeton	Mrs. J. M. Stormont	Princeton, Ind.	70	24	12				8	55		5		174	2	69	40	27
Portland		Portland Mills, "															*7	2
Scotland	Mrs. B. W. Mortland	Scotland, "	2						10					12			8	4
Scotland Y. P. C. U.	Mrs. Anna M. McElroy	Scotland, "	5					4	60					69			20	
Bloomington	Miss M. R. Cherry	Bloomington, "	45	31	28				44					148	3	82	30	26
Morea	Mrs. M. A. Espy	Morea, Ill.	15	10	14					6				45			17	5
West Bethel	Mrs. A. E. Buchanan	Duncanville, "	21	19	11									51	1	30		
West Union	Mrs. R. P. Boyd	Brownsville, "		5					10					15			17	2
Bloomington Young Ladies'	No report																*27	
PRINCETON PRESB	Mrs. J. M. Stormont, Sec.	Princeton, Ind	158	89	60			4	132	61		5		509	6	181	166	66
Annual Meeting—September, where Presbytery meets.	Mrs. A. E. Buchanan, Pres. Duncanville, Ill. Mrs. M. J. Warnock. Treas. Princeton, Ind.																	
Rock Island.																		
Aledo	Mrs. Mary Aitken	Aledo, Mercer Co. Ill.	9	14	10				28	2				63			26	17
Aledo Junior	Miss Minnie Rankin	Aledo, Mercer Co. "			1									1			30	
Cedar Creek	Mrs. Wm. Donaldson	Little York, Warren Co. "	29	25	15								4	73			19	7
Davenport	Mrs. J. T. Meloy	E. 15th St., Davenport, Ia.	10	9		4				4				27	2	40	16	7
Little York	Mrs. W. P. White	Little York, Warren Co. Ill.	35					9	10					54			19	3
North Henderson	Mrs. R. J. Davidson	Norwood, "		7		9								16			18	1
North Henderson Junior	Miss Lizzie McBride	Norwood, "															12	
Rock Island	Mrs. H. C. Marshall	1116 2d Ave., Rock Island, "	15	17		10	10			3				55			14	9
Rock Island Junior	Miss Ella Mitchell	1719 3d Ave. Rock Island, "		10	5				23					38			20	
Viola	Mrs. N. A. Mitchell	Viola, Mercer Co. "		27					25	5				57	2	17	14	2
Sunbeam	Mrs. Agnes Speer	Sunbeam, Mercer Co. "	28	12						1				41	2	25	26	10
Sunbeam Junior	Miss Emma Cross	Sunbeam, Mercer Co. "		5										5			21	
ROCK ISLAND PRESB	Miss M.W. Davidson, Sec	423 2d St., Rock Island, "	126	126	31	23	10	9	86	15			4	430	6	82	230	56
Annual Meeting—1st Tuesday in Sept., place of meeeting of Presbytery.	Mrs. H. C. Marshall, Pres., Rock Island, Ill. Mrs. D. R. Johnston, Treas. Aledo, Ill.	Miss Minnie McCreight, Jr. Sec. Sunbeam. Ill. Mrs. Mary Aitken, Lit. Sec., Aledo, Ill.																

San Francisco.																				
1st U. P. Church	Mrs. John Marshal	138 1 th St. San Francisco, Cal.	10	10	10	5	5		105					145	25	20	25	10
2d U. P. Church	Mrs. Ada Kilgore	820 23d St., San Francisco	" 7	7	7		7		1	4				33			17	9
San Jose	Mrs. C. K. Fleming	44 3d St., San Jose	" 10	10	5	5			1					31			14	3
Oakland	Mrs. J. M. French	710 18th St., Oakland	" 4		4				1	2				11			21	
Ladies' Aid and Miss. Society	Mrs. Morgenstern	2415 Beunavista, Alamedee,	"	5					48	23				76			9	1
Salinas	Mrs. Geo. McCormick	Salinas	" 17											17			15	4
Easton	Mrs. W. W. Gordon	Easton, Fresno Co	" 22			13			10					45			24	1
Fowler	Mrs. J. M. Lynn	Fowler	" 11	11	11				4	1				38			22	3
Castroville	Mrs. J. S. Jameson	Castrosville	"														*21	
Castroville	Miss Amy Clark	Castroville	"														*11	
SAN FRANCISCO PRESB	Mrs. L. E. Benedict, Sec.		81	43	37	23	12		170	30				396	25	20	177	31
Semi-Annual Meeting—Easton, Fresno Co., Cal.	Mrs. Rev. Kyle, Pres., Castroville, Cal. Mrs. Helen Currie, Treas.	Mrs. E. B. Stewart, Jr. Sec. Mrs. J. M. French, Lit.																
Sailkot, India.																		
Zenana	Mrs. Khairul Kissa Shahlaz	Sialkot City N. India.				6								6			31	
Gujranwala	Ruth Barkat Masih	Guiranuala	"						3					3			24	
Jhelum	Mrs. S. E. Johnson, M. D.	Ihelum	"		8				17					25			19	
Zafarwal	Minnie Parks Anderson	Sialkot	"														6	
Gurdaspur	Fazl Bibu	Gurdaspur	"	14				3						17			21	
Passur	Sophia Hulasi	Passur, Sialkot Dis	" 4											4			12	
Dhoda																	*12	
Marhli																	*29	
SAILKOT PRESB	Miss Logan, Sec.		4	14	8	6		3	20					55			154	
Annual Meeting—Passur, March 26 and 27, 1895.	Mrs. Khairul Kissa Shahlaz Pres. Miss Embletar, Treas.	Mrs. Holliday, Jr. Sec.																
Sidney, Ohio.																		
Bellefontaine	Mrs. N. A. Wallace	Bellefontaine Ohio.	18	19	10					2			15	64	3	50	50	12
Belle Centre	Mrs. J. J. Huston	Belle Centre	" 16	20	5	5	2		182			1	2	233			35	7
Findlay	Mrs. Geo. T. Boyd	Findlay	" 5						15	3				23			11	5
Grand Rapids	Mrs. M. Donald	Grand Rapids	"						15					15	3	25	15	
Huntsville	Mrs. Sue B. Wallace	Huntsville	" 29	25		5		1		2				62	1	30	34	2
Kenton	Miss Mattie Waddle	Kenton	" 8	6	5		3	10	123					155			28	3
Leipsic	Mrs. A. J. Lowry	Leipsic	" 5	5	5									15			14	
Northwood	Miss Agnes Stewart	Northwood	" 10	10	11					1				32			16	
Piqua	Miss Ella M. Kerr	Piqua	" 5	5	10			3		4				27	1	10	34	10
Round Head																		
Scotch Ridge	Mrs. M. M. Houston	Scotch Ridge Ohio.	5	5		36			28	24				98	3	78	21	10
Sidney	Mrs. M. P. Robb	914 Walnut Ave., Sidney	"	10					133					143			16	2
Sugar Run	Mrs. Fannie Liggett	New California	" 29	15	15	10	5	1	5	5				85			22	25
Silver Creek	Mrs. J. B. Douglass	Silver Creek	" 13											13			11	1
Unionville Centre	Miss Lulu Robinson	Unionville Centre	" 5	5						1				15			15	3
Young Ladies of the Society				4										14				
Junior—Belle Centre	Miss Amanda McGee, Supt.	Belle Centre Ohic.	5	5	4									14			35	
Sugar Run Y. L. Miss	Miss Emma Comstock, Pres	New California	" 5						7					12			12	
Sugar Run Junior	Mrs. E. E. Cleland, As. Supt.	New California	" 5		6						5			16			34	
Silver Creek	Mrs. M. E. Reeder, Supt.	Silver Creek	" 7											7			12	
SIDNEY PRESB	Miss Abbie A. Robb, Sec.	Sidney Ohio.	170	134	71	56	10	15	508	42	5	1	17	1,029	11	188	322	80
Annual Meeting—1st Tuesday of April, 1895, at Bellefontaine	Miss Lizzie Waddle, Pres., Kenton, Ohio. Mrs. E. H. Hamilton, Treas. Bellefontaine, Ohio.	Miss Lulu Robinson, Jr. Sec., Unionville Centre, Ohio.																

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Stamford.																		
Willing Workers	Miss Fannie Morrison	Stamford, Ontario, Can.	10	10						149				169			30	1
Galt	Mrs. A. G. King	Box 310, Galt, "	25	35	10	10		10	6					96			46	15
STAMFORD PRESB.			35	45	10	10		10	6	149				265			76	16
Spokane.																		
Colfax	No report																*17	
Waitsburg	Miss Ada B. Phillips	Waitsburg, Wash.	4	4	2									10			10	
Spokane	Mrs. W. A. Spalding	Spokane "	7	7	3	3								20			15	3
SPOKANE PRESB.			11	11	5	3								30			42	3
Steubenville.																		
Wellsville	Mrs. Dr. J. S. Campbell	Wellsville, Ohio.	50		25	15		1	2		10			103	2	46	19	16
Carrollton	E. Jennie Graham	Carrollton "	23	7	7									37			17	8
Scroggsfield	Mrs. R. J. George	Scroggsville "	106							1		25		132			35	7
Mechanicstown	Mrs. Percilla George	Mechanicstown "	80											80			27	7
Bloomfield	Mrs. W. M. Hervey	Bloomingfield "	10		5	5		18	12					50			9	3
Toronto	Mrs. E. R. Giesly	Toronto "	10			8				6				24			19	4
Richmond	Mrs. Emma Ewing	Richmond "		30					38					68			23	7
1st East Liverpool	Mrs. A. M. Bickle	East Liverpool "	48	21	10	10	4	2	62	3				160	3	75	59	
2d East Liverpool	Mrs. Jennie Ralston	E. E. East Liverpool "	10	30				60	60				10	170	1	10	33	6
1st Steubenville	Mrs. M. J. Gregg	Steubenville "	50	30	4									84	1	10	35	18
New Market	Mrs. J. L. Acheson	Scio, Harrison Co. "	25		32			5	2	1				65	1	16	26	12
New Jefferson	Miss Etta Ferguson	Germano "		18										18	1	35		11
Salineville	No report																*26	
Yellow Creek	Mrs. Jane Stevenson	Pravo, Jeff. Co. Ohio.	16			48		6						70			*43	
Steubenville Willing Workers	No report																*20	
Oleneville Mission Band	No report																	
STEUBENVILLE PRESB.	Ella McMaster, Sec.	Richmond, Ohio.	428	136	83	86	4	92	176	11	10	5	10	1,031	9	212	391	99
Semi-Annual Meeting—October, Steubenville, Ohio.	Mrs. H. Y. Leiper, Pres., Pravo, Jeff. Co., Ohio. Mrs. Lena Harper, Treas., Wellsville, Ohio.	May Hervey, Rec. Sec., Bloomingdale, Ohio. Miss M. M. Smith, Lit. Sec., Wellsville, Ohio.																
Tennessee.																		
Hopewell	Mrs. Genella Strang	Lincoln, Tenn.															10	
Union	Mrs. Mary E. Sloan	Molino, Lincoln Co. "															*15	2
Miller's Ferry	Mrs. America P. Cloud	Millers Ferry, Ala.						10						10			55	3
TENNESSEE PRESB.								10						10			80	5

Vermont.																					
Ryegate	Lydia R. Harris	Ryegate, Vt.																	*14		
Vermont Presb.	Miss Cornie Gibson, Sec.																		14		
Westmoreland.																					
Bethel All	Miss Annie McGregor	Monroeville, Pa.								142	5	5				179			20	8	
Bethel	Mrs. M. E. Dunn	Circleville, "	18	9																	
Bethesda, Dorcas S.	Mrs. Sarah W. Curry	Elizabeth, "	5	10						22						37			8	5	
Braddock	Mrs. E. J. McPherson	409 Morewood Ave., Pitts. "	26		19	20					1					66	3		23	26	
Braddock Young Ladies'	Miss Camille Hawthorn	Braddock "			10									5		15			19		
Buena Vista	Miss Annie Patterson	Buena Vista "	6	5	5	3	2				1	2		3		27			22	5	
Buena Vista Willing Workers	Mrs. J. C. Kistler	Buena Nista "	15	15	15	5										50			16		
Boston	Miss Maggie McClure	Ellrod "		15						14						29			26	6	
Connellsville	Mrs. Kell Long	New Haven "																	*11		
Elizabeth	Mrs. I. J. Fergus	Elizabeth "		25							1					26			11	2	
Elizabeth Sarah Dales Lansing	Miss Sadie Van Kirk	Elizabeth "	25	10	5						1					41			10		
Fairfield and Ligonier	Mrs. F. L. Brown	Fort Palmer "	25	5	6						1					37	1	16	25	3	
Greensburg	Mrs. M. J. Douthett	Greensburg "	25													25			*27	6	
Irwin	Mrs. C. K. Linton	Irwin "	3	27	10						1					41	1	25	28	9	
Laurel Hill	Mrs. Libbie Long	Laurel Hill "	56	16	4	4	4				2	5		5		96			*20	10	
Leechburg	Mrs. M. E. Thomas	Leechburg "		11												11			30	9	
Logan's Ferry	Miss Nannie J. McClean	Logans Ferry "	27	23							1					51	3	7	12	6	
McKeesport	Mrs. Marie Sword	McKeesport "	35	10	8	4	4	64			1	14	5	5		150	2	20	50	6	
McKeesport Aftermath	Miss Sue Dodds	McKeesport "	10	5	5			30			1					51	1	9	21	1	
McKeesport Mission Band	Mrs. R. M. Young	McKeesport "			3							5				8			42		
Murraysville	Mrs. Lockhart	Murraysville "			25	12	5			21	1	10	10	20		104			20	4	
Mt. Pleasant	Mrs. Alice K. Murdock	Mt. Pleasant "	32	12	3						1					48			19	20	
Mt. Pleasant Mission Band	Miss Daisy Shaw	Mt. Pleasant "	10		10							5				25			34		
Parnassus	Mrs. Rev. Geo. Whiteside	Parnassus "	38	15	15	10				6	1					85	1	10	22	6	
Scottdale	Mrs. Will Hursh	Scottdale "			6	6										12			8		
Stewart Station	Miss Elizabeth Ekin	Stewart Station "	50		5	12		18			1	1	1	1		89			15	9	
Turtle Creek	Mrs. C. H. Marshall	Turtle Creek "	18	23	6	2				15	1					65	2	55	24	18	
Turtle Creek Gleaners	Edna Smith	Turtle Creek "	2	3	5							10				20			19		
Unity	Mrs. Georgia Booth	Logans Ferry "	8			10					2					20			28	13	
Unity Young Ladies'	Miss Lizzie Clements	New Texas "	3	2												5			10		
Union	Mrs. J. L. Thorn	Sardis "	15	4	4	4	1				1					29			26	9	
West Newton	Mrs. Mary A. Dick	West Newton "	23													23	2	106	16		
West Newton Young Ladies'	Mrs. J. S. Garvin	West Newton "									1					1			12		
Stewart St. Mission Band	No report																		*15		
Parnassus Mission Band	No report																		*20		
Westmoreland Presb.	Lizzie M. Patterson, Sec.	McKeesport, Pa.	475	245	169	92	16	112	220	25	57	16	39		1,466	16	248	704	181		
Semi-Annual Meetings—4th Thursday of March and 3d Thursday of Sept., 1895, Bethel, Westm'd.	Mrs. E. J. McPhersyn, Pres. 409 Morewood Av., P'g, Pa. Sadie B. Henning, Treas., 41 11th St., Braddock, Pa.	Mrs. M. J. Stevenson, Jr. Sec.' Stewart Sta., Pa. Mrs. A. M. Scott, Lit. Sec., Braddock, Pa.																			
Wheeling.																					
Bellaire	No report																				
Belmont	Mrs. Belle McCann	Key, Ohio.	8	8						16	1					33	1		24	8	
Brownsville			15	12	8	5										40					
Cadiz	Laura Holiday	Cadiz, Ohio.	25	17							4					46	3	60	25	6	
Harrisville	Esther M. Patton	Harrisville "	30	30						2						62			36	1	
High Ridge	Mrs. Nancy Johnson	Lucile "	9	10	9											28			23		
Young People	Etta Ashenhurst	Lucile "	2									2				4			19		
Martin's Ferry	Mrs. E. C. Boyd	Martins Ferry "	16	11	6	4				2						39			13	8	
Willing Workers	Mrs. E. C. Boyd	Martins Ferry "																			
New Athens	Miss Martha Love	New Athens "	23	35	28	5										91	2		25		

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Wheeling, Continued.																		
Young Ladies'	Miss Abbie McFadden	New Athens, Ohio.	44	25	5	8								82			15	
Roney's Point	Mrs. S. A. Giffen	Valley Grove, W. Va.	5	7	5				1					18	1	20	25	7
St. Clairsville	Mrs. J. B. McMechen	St. Clairsville, Ohio.	90	91	7				3					191	2	20	68	10
Young People	Miss Ella Sheck	St. Clairsville, "	27											27			36	
West Alexander	Mrs. L. B. Bushfield	West Alexander, Pa.	36											36	1	18	42	
Wheeling	Mrs. R. K. Giffen	Wheeling, W. Va.	70	70	10	20	10			3				183			27	28
Young Ladies'	Miss Corinna Campbell	Wheeling, W. Va.	25							3				28			24	
McMahon Creek	Miss M. A. W. Kirker	Whitney, Ohio.	5	5	5		5		56					76	1	10	15	
Uniontown	Mrs. W. H. Ferguson	Bannock, "	10	42	12			6	1					71	1	12	15	12
Pearl Gatherers	Miss Ella Pollock	Bannock, "	8											8	1	7		
WHEELING PRESB.	Mrs. R. K. Giffen, Sec.	Wheeling, W. Va.	448	363	95	42	15	6	81	11	2			1,063	13	142	432	80
Semi-Annual Meeting—Bellaire, Ohio, August 29-30, 1895.	Mrs. W. H. Ferguson, Pres. Mrs. S. H. Kasley, Treas.																	
Wisconsin.																		
Rock Prairie	Mrs. Thomas McCartney	Johnstown Centre, Wis.	25			20				5				50	3	30	36	12
Busy Bees	No report																	
Wis. Home Mission	No report																*24	
WISCONSIN PRESB.			25			20				5				50	3	30	60	12
Xenia, Ohio.																		
Clifton																	*17	
1st Columbus	Mrs. Fayette Johnson	598 E. Spring, Columbus, Ohio.	15	12	5	5	2			3				42			21	7
2d Columbus	Mrs. D. H. French	Worthington St., Col'bus, "	20	10	5	15		2	13	7				72	2	30	21	9
Cedarville	Mrs. J. C. Warnock	Cedarville, "	2	2	7									11			22	
King's Daughters		Cedarville, "	10	20	10	10	10		2	3				65	1	32	33	
Greenfield	Nannie Wallace	Greenfield, "		5						11	6			22	1	25	11	5
*Fall Creek	Mrs. Sarah Patton	Samantha, Highland Co.															*11	
Jamestown	Mrs. D. R. Hopping	Jamestown, "	35	15	14				14	5				83	4	48	31	18
Reynoldsburg	Mrs. Sarah Boyd	Reynoldsburg, "	5	5	5	2		5						22			13	10
Young Ladies'	Miss Nina Henderson	Reynoldsburg, "			20			1	3	6				30	2	20	15	
Springfield	Mrs. S. C. Anderson	282 S. Limestone, Sp'ngf'ld "	20	20	20				44	3				107	2	24	36	10
Willing Workers, Jamestown	J. A. Wiley																18	
Sugar Creek	Mrs. J. S. Wiley	Dean, Ohio.	32	17				5	5	27				86			21	
Young Ladies'	Miss Fannie McConnel	Dean, "	8	8						3				19			20	
Springfield Miss. Band																		
1st Xenia	Mrs. R. S. Finley	Xenia, Ohio.	50	50	25	10	10		130	3				278			61	20
2d Xenia	Mrs. James W. Collins	Xenia, "	54	18	22		20		5					119	2	48	82	29
3d Junior	Grace Williamson	Xenia, "									5			5				

Xenia, Ohio, Continued.																			
3d Xenia	Mrs. W. J. Buchanan	Xenia, Ohio.	57	25		10					5			10	107	2	20	50	21
Alledena, 1st Xenia	Miss Leta Quinn	East Market, Xenia "	10						14						24			30	
XENIA PRESB	Mrs. W. B. Bryson	Xenia, Ohio.	318	207	133	52	42	13	230	76	11		10	1,092	16	242	468	129	
Xenia, Ohio.	Mrs. J. C. Warnock, Pres. Mrs. Geo. Moore, Treas.	Mrs. Jos. Holmes, Jr. Sec., Sugar Creek, Ohio. Mrs. James Paull, Lit. Sec., Jamestown, Ohio.																	

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Albany	2	Congregational									18				18	1	60	45	.....
Allegheny	61	Mrs. J. A. Grier	Bellevue, Pa.	2209	1084	649	323	47	160	1335	147	84	108	73	6219	55	809	1944	358
Arkansas Valley	15	Mrs. P. C. Maughlin	Stafford, Kan.	172	32	15	.....	.....	20	156	52	19	.....	7	473	4	45	257	.....
Argyle	17	Miss Lizzie Marshall	Cambridge, N. Y.	493	163	91	97	.....	8	7	10	26	27	.....	922	47	281	776	100
Beaver Valley	23	Mrs. M. M. Dice	Mt Air, Lawrence Co., Pa.	642	157	96	35	19	72	708	33	5	10	22	1794	23	34	430	173
Big Spring	11	Miss Fannie Cummins		161	121	40	59	5	.....	58	.....	.....	20	23	487	4	58	249	58
Boston Congregational	2		No report.															*66	.....
Brookville	13	Mrs. Tillie Fitch	Stanton Jefferson Co., Pa.	129	66	37	.....	.....	.....	47	12	.....	.....	.....	290	3	73	214	43
Butler	19	Mrs. Ada Martin	Grove City, Pa.	269	121	73	13	8	62	75	23	10	5	30	689	15	256	465	102
Caledonia	14	Mrs. A. F. McPherson		121	65	15	.....	.....	8	505	18	.....	.....	.....	732	8	242	372	65
Cedar Rapids	10	Mrs. J. P. McDaniel	Cedar Rapids, Iowa	240	60	91	10	3	11	80	51	.....	1	.....	547	7	195	217	77
Chartiers	32	Mrs. E. E. Douglass	Houstonville, Pa.	949	391	170	76	20	169	425	45	28	18	28	2319	25	482	857	204
Chicago	12	Mrs. J. A. Duff	6504 Honora St., Chicago, Ill.	66	59	78	65	3	30	326	14	.....	164	.....	745	16	139	254	111
Chillicothe	4	Miss Pearl McIntire.	Cherry Fork, Ohio.	53	79	24	45	.....	4	6	87	.....	.....	.....	298	2	39	101	34
Cleveland	7	Mrs. T. H. McMichael	32 Brenton St., Cleveland, O.	45	52	56	27	.....	14	649	47	.....	.....	.....	890	6	162	165	38
College Springs	24	Mrs. J. D. McLean	Red Oak, Iowa.	338	106	55	29	13	24	593	62	3	.....	9	1282	13	134	430	.....
Colorado	10	Mrs. Pressly Thompson	Colorado Springs, 133 Weber St.	175	70	10	36	.....	30	303	11	.....	.....	.....	635	2	.....	181	.....
Concordia	4	Mrs. F. M. Torrens	Idana, Kan.	4	6	9	.....	.....	1	42	.....	.....	.....	.....	62	.....	.....	60	.....
Conemaugh	24	Mrs. W. H. McMasters	Blairsville, Pa.	166	332	46	15	11	19	44	3	8	1	.....	645	7	82	477	75
Delaware	11	Mrs. J. J. Andrews	Almeda, N. Y.	118	49	39	14	.....	.....	560	18	7	.....	.....	805	16	275	198	36
Des Moines	25	Mrs. J. Gilmore	Oskaloosa, Iowa.	322	74	79	19	5	60	599	42	.....	2	5	1207	14	110	399	110
Detroit	7	Mrs. Hattie T. Orr	Birmingham, Mich.	40	42	40	6	13	2	133	2	5	5	10	298	7	149	84	11
Egypt	4	Mrs. John Giffen	American Mission, Cairo, Egy't	276	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	276	.....	.....	219	.....
Frankfort	10	Mrs. S. M. Krohn	Penrith, Hancock Co., W. Va.	152	60	54	2	.....	4	113	11	10	.....	.....	406	1	5	206	34
Garnet	17	Mrs. K. W. McBride	Emporia, Kan.	168	77	54	8	.....	20	372	34	.....	.....	.....	733	7	86	379	41
Illinois Central	12	Mrs. W. F. Johnston	Piper City, Ill.	208	94	77	34	8	16	67	15	10	.....	17	541	7	113	205	30
Illinois Southern	20	Mrs. J. W. Ashwood	3632 Forest Pk. Bou'd, St. Louis	393	98	34	15	1	68	647	52	23	5	9	1345	4	60	446	63
Indiana	14	Mrs. Rev. H. H. Crawford		180	68	48	28	7	18	284	4	4	.....	.....	641	5	65	138	62
Iowa Northwestern	6	Mrs. Ella Torrence Hood	Quimby, Iowa	69	6	3	2	.....	.....	111	7	.....	.....	.....	198	4	45	108	21
Indiana Northern	6	Congregational		9	6	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	33	.....	.....	.....	51	.....	.....	64	10
Kansas City	9	Mrs. Amelia A. White	1924 E. 14th St., Kan. City, Mo.	63	11	3	.....	11	40	176	7	.....	.....	3	314	1	18	151	15
Keokuk	20	Mrs. Rev. J. A. Greer	Columbus City, Iowa	323	171	19	14	.....	107	79	65	10	2	.....	790	37	656	457	55
Lake	24	Miss L. Donnan	Cochranton, Pa.	149	65	159	48	5	86	435	66	11	.....	6	1030	26	368	490	122
LeClaire	10	Mrs. E. E. Hannah	LeClaire, Iowa.	45	56	24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	125	4	70	121	27
Los Angeles	7	Mrs. J. A. Gordon	Los Angeles Presbytery	94	66	36	22	.....	12	28	.....	.....	9	.....	267	.....	.....	112	35
Mansfield	16	Mrs. W. E. Shaw	Fredericksburg, Ohio	220	58	38	.....	.....	.....	204	57	.....	.....	4	581	9	72	303	40
Mercer	14	Mrs. Maud J. Elliott	New Wilmington, Pa.	402	211	143	75	13	77	175	14	57	5	27	1199	18	583	272	69
Monmouth	17	Mrs. Jennie L. Campbell	E. 1st. Ave., Monmouth, Ill.	617	293	58	33	7	5	437	143	15	.....	.....	1608	15	229	547	166
Monongahela	76	Mrs. J. D. Sands	Lawrence St., Pittburg, Pa.	1425	1214	950	409	73	560	985	160	187	66	344	6373	28	557	1840	590
Muskingum	19	Mrs. J. M. Duncan	Indian Camp, Ohio.	342	84	58	23	7	57	443	35	5	6	41	1101	15	264	399	84
New York	10	Mrs. J. A Edmiston	25 Madison St., Brooklyn, N. Y.	160	97	.....	.....	.....	50	895	26	.....	.....	7	1235	2	26	209	37
North Platte	4	Lillie O. Gillespie, Sec. ptm.	Nebraska	5	5	.....	80	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	.....	.....	43	.....

First Ohio	15	Miss Clara J. Brown	Morning Sun, Preble Co., Ohio.	253	135	87	48	30	22	73	50				698	8	110	356	110
Omaha	16	Mrs. L. E. Hawk		74	88	62	277	10	16	1274	44				1845	7	69	414	85
Oregon	10	Mrs. Ella J. Jordan, Sec	823 Seneca St., Seattle, Oregon.	68	45	3	3		8	80					207	4	30	201	24
Pawnee	17	Mrs. J. D. Nesbit	Pawnee, Nebraska	101	84	70	51		53	337	17	2			715	8	73	309	60
Philadelphia	12	Mrs. Frank Getty	705 N. 44th St., Phila., Pa	200	178			45	568	639	28	8			1664	64	238	481	126
Princeton	9	Mrs. A. E. Buchanan	Duncansville, Illinois	158	89	60			4	132	61		5		509	6	181	166	66
Pittsburg	4	Mrs. J. H. Gibson	Pittsburg, Kan.	38	25	12	12		11	24					122			64	15
Rock Island	12	Mrs. H. C. Marshall	Rock Island, Illinois	126	126	31	23	10	9	86	15			4	430	6	82	230	56
San Francisco	10	Mrs. Rev. Kyle	Castreville, Cal.	81	43	37	23	12		170	30				396	25	20	177	31
Sialkot	8	Mrs. Khair ul Nirra Shazbaz	Sialkot City, N. India	4	14	8	6		3	20					55			154	
Sidney	19	Miss Lizzie Muddle	Kenton, Ohio	170	134	71	56	10	15	508	42	5	1	17	1029	11	188	322	80
Spokane Congregational	3	Congregational	Washington	11	11	5	3								30			42	3
Stamford	2	Congregational	Galt, Ontario	35	45	10	10		10	6	149				265			76	16
Stubenville	16	Mrs. H. Y. Leiper	Pravo, Jefferson Co., Ohio	428	136	83	86	4	92	176	11	10	25	10	1061	9	212	391	99
Tennessee	3	Congregational	Mrs. G. Strang, Lincoln, Tenn.						10						10			80	5
Vermont Congregational	1	Miss Carrie Gibson, Sec	Vermont Presbyterial															*14	
Westmorland	35	Mrs. E. J. McPherson	409 Moveword Av. E.E. Pitts, Pa	475	245	169	92	16	112	220	25	57	16	39	1466	16	248	104	181
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Albany 2	Congregational	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18	.....	.....	.....	18	1	60	45	.....
Allegheny 61	Mrs. J. A. Grier	Bellevue, Pa	2209	1084	649	328	47	160	1335	147	84	108	78	6219	55	809	1944	358
Arkansas Valley 15	Mrs. P. C. Maughlin	Stafford, Kan	172	32	15	.....	.....	20	156	52	19	.....	7	473	4	45	257	.....
Argyle 17	Miss Lizzie Marshall	Cambridge, N. Y	493	163	91	97	.....	8	7	10	26	27	.....	922	47	281	776	190
Beaver Valley 23	Mrs. M. M. Dice	Mt Air, Lawrence Co., Pa	642	157	96	35	19	72	708	33	5	10	22	1794	23	34	430	178
Big Spring 11	Miss Fannie Cummins	.....	161	121	40	59	5	.....	58	.....	.....	20	23	487	4	58	249	58
Boston Congregational 2	.....	No report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*66	.....
Brookville 13	Mrs. Tillie Fitch	Stanton Jefferson Co., Pa	129	66	37	.....	.....	.....	47	12	.....	.....	.....	290	3	73	214	43
Butler 19	Mrs. Ada Martin	Grove City, Pa	269	121	73	13	8	62	75	23	10	5	30	689	15	256	465	102
Caledonia 14	Mrs. A. F. McPherson	.....	121	65	15	.....	.....	8	505	18	.....	.....	.....	732	8	242	372	65
Cedar Rapids 10	Mrs. J. P. McDaniel	Cedar Rapids, Iowa	240	60	91	10	3	11	80	51	.....	1	.....	547	7	195	217	77
Chartiers 32	Mrs. E. E. Douglass	Houstonville, Pa	949	391	170	76	20	169	425	45	28	18	28	2319	25	432	857	204
Chicago 12	Mrs. J. A. Duff	6504 Honora St., Chicago, Ill	66	59	78	65	3	30	326	14	.....	164	.....	745	16	139	254	111
Chillicothe 4	Miss Pearl McIntire	Cherry Fork, Ohio	53	79	24	45	.....	4	6	87	.....	.....	.....	298	2	39	101	34
Cleveland 7	Mrs. T. H. McMichael	32 Brenton St., Cleveland, O	45	52	56	27	.....	14	649	47	.....	.....	.....	890	6	162	165	38
College Springs 24	Mrs. J. D. McLean	Red Oak, Iowa	338	106	55	29	13	24	593	62	3	.....	9	1282	13	134	430	.....
Colorado 10	Mrs. Pressly Thompson	Colorado Springs, 133 Weber St.	175	70	10	36	.....	30	303	11	.....	.....	.....	635	2	.....	181	.....
Concordia 4	Mrs. F. M. Torrens	Idana, Kan	4	6	9	.....	.....	1	42	.....	.....	.....	.....	62	.....	.....	60	.....
Conemaugh 24	Mrs. W. H. McMasters	Blairsville, Pa	166	332	46	15	11	19	44	3	8	1	.....	645	7	82	477	75
Delaware 11	Mrs. J. J. Andrews	Almeda, N. Y	118	49	39	14	.....	.....	560	18	7	.....	.....	805	16	275	198	36
Des Moines 25	Mrs. J. Gilmore	Orkaloosa, Iowa	322	74	79	19	5	60	599	42	.....	2	5	1207	14	110	399	110
Detroit 7	Mrs. Hattie T. Orr	Birmingham, Mich	40	42	40	6	13	2	133	2	5	5	10	298	7	149	84	11
Egypt 4	Mrs. John Giffen	American Mission, Cairo, Egy't	276	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	276	.....	.....	219	.....
Frankfort 10	Mrs. S. M. Krohn	Penrith, Hancock Co., W. Va	152	60	54	2	.....	4	118	11	10	.....	.....	406	1	5	206	84
Garnet 17	Mrs. K. W. McBride	Emporia, Kan	168	77	54	8	.....	20	372	34	.....	.....	.....	733	7	86	379	41
Illinois Central 12	Mrs. W. F. Johnston	Piper City, Ill	208	94	77	34	8	16	67	15	10	.....	17	541	7	113	205	30
Illinois Southern 20	Mrs. J. W. Ashwood	3632 Forest Pk. Bou'd, St. Louis	393	98	34	15	1	68	647	52	23	5	9	1345	4	60	446	63
Indiana 14	Mrs. Rev. H. H. Crawford	.....	180	68	48	28	7	18	284	4	4	.....	.....	641	5	65	138	62
Iowa Northwestern 6	Mrs. Ella Torrence Hood	Quimby, Iowa	69	6	3	2	.....	.....	111	7	.....	.....	.....	198	4	45	103	21
Indiana Northern 6	Congregational	.....	9	6	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	33	.....	.....	.....	51	.....	.....	64	10
Kansas City 9	Mrs. Amelia A. White	1924 E. 14th St., Kan. City, Mo.	63	11	3	.....	11	40	176	7	.....	.....	3	314	1	18	151	15
Keokuk 20	Mrs. Rev. J. A. Greer	Columbus City, Iowa	323	171	19	14	.....	107	79	65	10	2	.....	790	37	656	457	55
Lake 24	Miss L. Donnan	Cochranton, Pa	149	65	159	48	5	86	435	66	11	.....	6	1030	26	368	490	122
LeClaire 10	Mrs. E. E. Hannah	LeClaire, Iowa	45	56	24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	125	4	70	121	27
Los Angeles 7	Mrs. J. A. Gordon	Los Angeles Presbytery	94	66	36	22	.....	12	28	.....	.....	9	.....	267	.....	.....	112	35
Mansfield 16	Mrs. W. E. Shaw	Fredericksburg, Ohio	220	58	38	.....	.....	.....	204	57	.....	.....	4	581	9	72	308	40
Mercer 14	Mrs. Maud J. Elliott	New Wilmington, Pa	402	211	143	75	13	77	175	14	57	5	27	1199	18	583	272	69
Monmouth 17	Mrs. Jennie L. Campbell	E. 1st. Ave., Monmouth, Ill	617	293	58	33	7	5	437	143	15	.....	.....	1608	15	229	547	166
Monongahela 76	Mrs. J. D. Sands	Lawrence St., Pittburg, Pa	1425	1214	950	409	73	560	985	160	187	66	344	6373	28	557	1840	590
Muskingum 19	Mrs. J. M. Duncan	Indian Camp, Ohio	342	84	58	23	7	57	443	35	5	6	41	1101	15	264	399	84
New York 10	Mrs. J. A Edmiston	25 Madison St., Brooklyn, N. Y.	160	97	.....	.....	.....	50	895	26	.....	.....	7	1235	2	26	209	37
North Platte 4	Lillie O. Gillespie, Sec. ptm.	Nebraska	5	5	.....	80	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	.....	.....	48	.....

First Ohio 15	Miss Clara J. Brown	Morning Sun, Preble Co., Ohio.	253	135	87	48	80	22	73	50	.....	.....	.....	698	8	110	356	110
Omaha 16	Mrs. L. E. Hawk	.....	74	88	62	277	10	16	1274	44	.....	.....	.....	1845	7	69	414	85
Oregon 10	Mrs. Ella J. Jordan, Sec.....	823 Seneca St., Seattle, Oregon.	65	45	3	3	.....	8	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	207	4	30	201	24
Pawnee..... 17	Mrs. J. D. Nesbit.....	Pawnee, Nebraska.....	101	84	70	51	.....	53	337	17	2	.....	.....	715	8	78	309	60
Philadelphia 12	Mrs. Frank Getty	705 N. 44th St., Phila., Pa.....	200	178	.....	.....	45	568	639	26	8	.....	.....	1664	64	238	481	126
Princeton 9	Mrs. A. E. Buchanan	Duncansville, Illinois.....	156	89	60	.....	.....	4	132	61	.....	5	.....	509	6	181	166	66
Pittsburg 4	Mrs. J. H. Gibson.....	Pittsburg, Kan.....	38	25	12	12	.....	11	24	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	.....	.....	64	15
Rock Island 12	Mrs. H. C. Marshall	Rock Island, Illinois.....	126	126	31	23	10	9	86	15	.....	.....	4	430	6	82	230	56
San Francisco..... 10	Mrs. Rev. Kyle	Castreville, Cal.....	81	43	37	23	12	.....	170	30	.....	.....	.....	396	25	20	177	31
Sialkot 8	Mrs. Khair ul Nirra Shazbaz	Sialkot City, N. India.....	4	14	8	6	.....	3	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	55	.....	.....	154	.....
Sidney 19	Miss Lizzie Muddle	Kenton, Ohio.....	170	134	71	56	10	15	508	42	5	1	17	1029	11	188	322	80
Spokane Congregational..... 3	Congregational.....	Washington.....	11	11	5	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	42	3
Stamford 2	Congregational	Galt, Ontario	35	45	10	10	.....	10	6	149	.....	.....	.....	265	.....	.....	76	16
Stubenville..... 16	Mrs. H. Y. Leiper.....	Pravo, Jefferson Co., Ohio.....	428	136	83	86	4	92	176	11	10	25	10	1061	9	212	391	99
Tennessee 3	Congregational.....	Mrs. G. Strang, Lincoln, Tenn.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	80	5
Vermont Congregational..... 1	Miss Carrie Gibson, Sec.....	Vermont Presbyterial.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*14	.....
Westmorland 35	Mrs. E. J. McPherson.....	409 Moveword Av. E.E. Pitts,Pa	475	245	169	92	16	112	220	25	57	16	39	1466	16	248	104	181
Wheeling..... 20	Mrs. W. H. Ferguson	Bannock, Ohio.....	448	363	95	42	15	6	81	11	2	.....	.....	1063	13	142	432	80
Wisconsin 3	Congregational	.....	25	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	50	3	30	60	12
Xenia 20	Mrs. J. C. Warnock.....	Cedarville, Ohio	318	207	133	52	42	13	230	76	11	.....	10	1092	16	242	463	129
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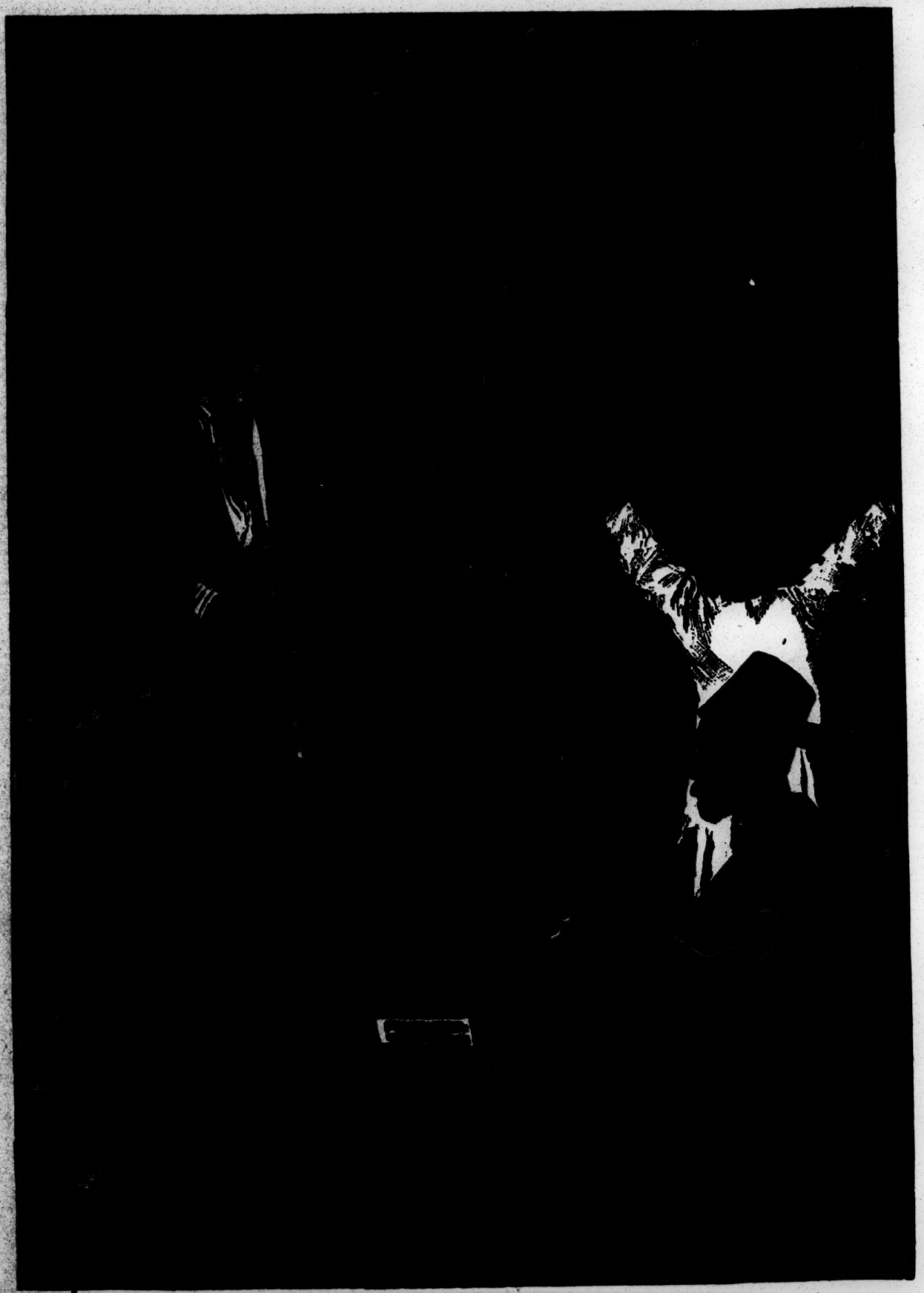

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